

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 5339 of 2025

1. Ganesh Ganjhu, aged about 39 years, son of late Dhiraj Ganjhu
 2. Rakesh Rajak @ Rakesh Kumar Rajak, aged about 39 years, son of late Thakuri Rajak, both resident of village- Jirwakhurd, Bhutaha, P.O. & P.S. Simariya, District- Chatra
- ... Petitioners**

-Versus-

The State of Jharkhand

... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners : Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh, Advocate

For the State : Ms. Sharda Kumar, A.C. to P.P.

04/16.09.2025 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Bariyatu P.S. Case No. 05/2025, registered for the offences under Sections 15(c), 17 (c), 18(b) and 25 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, pending in the Court of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Spl. Judge, N.D.P.S, Latehar.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the false allegations are made against the petitioners of cultivating the opium plants in Gairmazarua land in different plots in the district of Latehar. He submits that the petitioners are residents of district Chatra. He further submits that petitioner no.1 has got no criminal antecedent and petitioner no.2 is having one criminal antecedent, however, that is of different nature and that has also come in the order of the learned Sessions Judge. He also submits that four of the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail by this Court in A.B.A. No.5308 of 2025 and A.B.A. No. 5338 of 2025.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and

submits allegations are there of cultivating the opium plants in Gairmazarua land.

5. In view of the above and considering that the petitioners are the residents of Chatra and the cultivation of opium plants is alleged to be done in the district of Latehar and four of the co-accused have been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid A.B.As., I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners above named are directed to surrender before the learned Court within three weeks from today and in the event of their surrender / arrest, they shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Twenty-Five Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount of each to the satisfaction of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Spl. Judge, N.D.P.S, Latehar, in connection with Bariyatu P.S. Case No. 05/2025, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated: 16th September, 2025
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