

(2026:JHHC:27063)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 8402 of 2026

Dipak Bhuiyan, aged about 40 years, s/o Bechan Bhuiyan,
r/o Village-Kusdi, P.O.-Kusdi, P.S.-Panki, Dist.-Palamau,
Jharkhand ... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner	: Mr. Binod Singh, Advocate
	: Mr. K.S. Nanda, Advocate
	: Mr. Vanne Saranya, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Azeemuddin, Addl. P.P.

Order No.02 Dated- 09.09.2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with Panki P.S. Case No.10 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable under sections 118(1)/ 118(2)/ 109(1)/ 351(3)/ 103(1)/3(5) of the B.N.S., 2023 and under Section 3/4 of Prevention of Witch Craft (Daain) Practices Act.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner in furtherance of common intention with the co-accused persons has committed the murder of Vijay Bhuiyan, Hewanti Devi and Chhotu Kumar. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and there is no allegation against the petitioner of committing murder of anyone. It is then submitted that the allegation of murder is against the co-accused-Ravindra Bhuiyan and Pramod Bhuiyan and the only allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner; who also practices witchcraft used to tell the co-accused that the deceased was actually disturbing the co-accused persons and was responsible for the father of the co-accused persons remaining unwell. It is further submitted that though charge sheet has been submitted in this case but no witness has been examined as yet. It is next submitted that the petitioner

has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no.16 of the bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 14.05.2026, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 15 of the bail application. It is next submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case and further undertakes that he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the abovenamed petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Sessions Judge, Palamau at Daltonganj, in connection with Panki P.S. Case No.10 of 2026 with the condition that the petitioner will cooperate with the trial of the case and will furnish his mobile number and a copy of his Aadhar Card in the court below with the undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case, with further condition that he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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