

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 5286 of 2025

Harshdeep Sonkar @ Harsh Kumar Sonkar @ Harsdeep, son of Om Prakash Sonkar, aged about 25 years resident of Arkijamala Road, PO-Tilaiya PS -Tilaiya District- Kodarma, Jharkhand.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner	:-	Mr. Rohit Sinha, Advocate Mr.Md.Imran Hassan, Advocate Mr.Anadi Brahma, Advocate Mrs Neha Priya, Advocate
For the State	:-	Mr. Satish Kumar Keshri, Advocate
For the Informant	:-	Mr. Shashi Bhushan Sah, Advocate

2/14.10.2025 Heard learned counsels for petitioner and for State as well as the learned counsel for the informant.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Telaiya PS Case No.180 of 2025, for offence registered under section 103(1)/238(6)/61(2) of the BNS, 2023, pending in court of learned A.C.J.M., Koderma.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner submits that the case has been registered under section 103(1) of BNS, 2023 and other sections of BNS, 2023. He further submits that now the police has informed the learned court vide letter No.3785/2025 dated 24.09.2025 that the case has been converted under section 108 and 238 of BNS, 2023 and to buttress such argument, he produced the certified copy of the said letter which has been taken on record. He then submits that the petitioner has informed the police as well as the informant about the suicide made by the deceased. He then submits that the petitioner has been called upon to join the

investigation and pursuant to that the petitioner has appeared and he has been released on personal bond by police.

4. Learned State counsel was well the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the informant jointly oppose the prayer and submit that the petitioner is instrumental in the said incident and that has come in the case diary.

5. Initially the case has been registered under section 103(1) of BNS, 2023 and other sections of BNS, 2023, however, the same has been converted into section 108/238 of BNS, 2023 in light of the letter No.3785/2025, it is clear from the certified copy produced in course of the argument and even the seizure list was made at 12.30 noon whereas the FIR has been registered at 08.30 p.m on 09.06.2025 and the petitioner has cooperated in the investigation and in view of that the petitioner was released on personal bond by the police, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to petitioner.

6. Accordingly, petitioner, above named, is hereby directed to surrender before learned court within three weeks from today, and in event of his surrender/arrest, petitioner, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand), with two sureties of like amount each, to satisfaction of learned A.C.J.M., Koderma, in connection with Telaiya PS Case No.180 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

14.10.2025
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