

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 9947 of 2025

Jagdish Sahu, aged about 46 years, S/o Nageshwar Sahu, R/o-Mandar College Gate, Sosai Ashram, P.O. & P.S., Mandar, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand. **Petitioner**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand **Opposite Party**

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Ms. Tanu Kumari, Advocate

For the Opp. Party-State : Mr. Naveen Kumar Ganjhu, A.P.P

03/16.02.2026

1. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 18.05.2024 in connection with Sukhdeo Nagar P.S. Case No. 259 of 2024, corresponding to S.T. Case No. 608 of 2024 for the alleged offence registered under Sections 363, 364 of the Indian Penal Code, said to have been pending in the court of learned Additional Judicial Commissioner XX, Ranchi.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though the children has been recovered from the possession of the petitioner, but the child was taken only because she was crying. Learned counsel has submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 18.05.2024 and the charge sheet has been submitted on 09.10.2024, but as per the impugned order dated 05.07.2025 out of the four charge sheeted witnesses, none of the witnesses have been examined.
4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the opposite party-State has opposed the prayer and has submitted that a four year old girl child was taken away from the place where she was attending tuition class.
5. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and considering the fact that the petitioner, who has no relation with the family of the victim had taken away the victim who was found in

possession of the girl child and the girl was recovered from his house and from his custody, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

6. The learned trial court is directed to expedite the trial of the petitioner and the State is directed to ensure prompt production of witnesses. As stated, there are only 4 prosecution witnesses as per the chargesheet.

7. The learned counsel for the State is directed to communicate this order to the concerned authority to ensure compliance.

8. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the court concerned through 'FAX/E-mail'.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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