

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 6676 of 2025

1. Gopal Ganjhu, aged about 34 years, son of Suresh Ganjhu
2. Bholu Ganjhu, aged about 40 years, son of Mahangu Ganju
3. Chhotu Mahto @ Anil Kumar, aged about 26 years, son of Raghu Mahto
4. Dipali Ganjhu, aged about 35 years, son of Late Fagu Mahto
5. Bandhu Ganjhu @ Bandhu Bharti, aged about 47 years, son of Late Pachan Ganjhu

All are resident of village – Bandudih (Sardam), PO and PS – Bashishtnag, District – Chatra, Jharkhand

.... Petitioners

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand

.... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners :- Mr. Satyanshu Shubham, Advocate

For the State :- Mr. Prabir Kr. Chatterjee, Advocate

03/26.11.2025 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioners as well as the learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Complaint Case No.27 of 2025, for the alleged offences registered under Sections 33(I)(C) of Indian Forest Act pending in the Court of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Chatra.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that false allegation is made against the petitioners of cultivation of poppy plant on the forest land. He further submits that even the land is not belonging to the petitioners. He then submits that the

petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.13 of the petition.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposes the prayer and submits that the allegations are there against the petitioners of cultivation of poppy plant on the forest land.

5. Considering that the land is of the forest department and that land is not belonging to the petitioners and the petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.13 of the petition, I am inclined to provide anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners, above named, are hereby directed to surrender before the learned Court within three weeks from today, and in the event of their surrender/arrest, the petitioners, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) each, with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Chatra in connection with Complaint Case No.27 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

*Dated 26.11.2025
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