

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
[CIRCUIT BENCH AT PORT BLAIR]

CRM/8/2026

In Re:- An application for bail under section 483 of BNSS, 2023 filed on 09.02.2026 in connection with Crime Case (FIR No.189 of 2024) dated 20.03.2025, PS Pahargaoan under Sections 103/3 (5)/61 (2)/238/249 of BNS.

And
In the matter of

Saravanan Ramesh

Vs

The State (through the learned Public Prosecutor)

Mr. KMB Jayapal ... for the petitioner

Mr. Sumit Kumar Karmakar ... for the State

February 10, 2026
[MH]
Item No.7

The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is standing on the same footing with another accused Rahul Prasath R, who allegedly advanced money to him for killing one lady. The present petitioner is in custody for about 444 days and there is no chance of an early conclusion of the Trial, as the prosecution wants to examine 58 witnesses.

The learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for bail. According to him, there is sufficient incriminating material to show that the present petitioner was one of the contract killers, who was engaged by Rahul Prasath R and others to kill the victim. The present petitioner along with the others was very much present at the place of occurrence when the ghastly murder of the victim took place. He opposes the prayer for bail.

I have gone through the materials on record. It appears that on 05.02.2026, Rahul Prasath R was enlarged on bail on certain conditions. It is also true that investigation is complete and there is

no chance of an early conclusion of the Trial. It is also found that the present petitioner is standing on the same footing with the accused Rahul Prasath R who was enlarged on bail on 05.02.2026. It is also true that the present petitioner is a resident of Tamil Nadu and therefore there is a chance of flight risk.

In view of the above, I find that the petitioner is standing on the same footing with the accused Rahul Prasath R and hence is entitled to bail but on stringent conditions.

The petitioner may find bail of Rs. 50,000/- with two sureties of Rs. 25,000/- each out of which one must be local subject to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Port Blair and he shall remain within the jurisdiction of Baratang Police Station and shall not leave such place without permission of the learned District and Sessions Judge, Port Blair excepting for the purpose of attending court proceedings and shall meet the Station House Officer, PS Baratang on each and every date excepting Sunday until further order. He shall not intimidate, influence any witness in connection with this case and in default, his bail shall stand cancelled without any further reference to this Court. He shall inform his current local address where he will be residing now to the learned Trial Court. He shall inform the Station House Officer, Pahargaon Police Station through SHO, Baratang whenever he comes to Port Blair to attend Court proceedings.

CRM/8/2026 is thus disposed of.

Parties to act on the server copy of this order downloaded from the official website of this Court.

(Apurba Sinha Ray, J.)