IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (D.B.) No. 637 of 2026

Pratap Ganjhu @ Mahadev Ganjhu, aged about 26 years, son of Sundardeo Ganjhu, resident of village Jani, P.O. and P.S. Herhanj, District Latehar (Jharkhand) …. Appellant

Versus

State of Jharkhand …. …. …. Respondent

CORAM**: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rongon Mukhopadhyay**
Hon'ble Mr. justice Arun Kumar Rai

For the Appellant: Mr. Sahil, Advocate
For the Resp.-State: A.P.P.

02/ 16.06.2026 Heard Mr. Sahil, learned Counsel for the appellant and learned A.P.P.

2. This appeal is directed against the order dated 30.04.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge-I, Latehar in B.P.No.151/2026, arising out of Herhanj P.S. Case No. 41 of 2024 whereby and whereunder the prayer for bail of the appellant has been rejected.

3. It has been alleged that there was an exchange of firing between the extremists and the Police personnel and in course of such exchange, Ajay Kumar and Upendra Yadav were apprehended at the spot and several arms and ammunitions were recovered from the place of occurrence.

4. Submission has been advanced by the learned Counsel for the appellant that he has been implicated on the confessional statement of Ajay Kumar and Upendra Yadav, both of whom have been granted bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in Cr. Appeal (D.B.) No. 175 of 2025 and Cr. Appeal (D.B.) No. 334/2025 respectively.

5. It has been submitted that the appellant is in custody since 18.11.2025.

6. Learned A.P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant.

7. Regard being had to the manner of implication of the appellant and the fact that the apprehended accused have been granted bail, as noted above, we while setting aside the order dated 30.04.2026 passed by the learned Addl. Sessions Judge-I, Latehar in B.P. No. 151/2026, arising out of Herhanj P.S. Case No. 41 of 2024 direct that the appellant be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/-(Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned C.J.M., Latehar in connection with Herhang P.S. Case No. 41 of 2024, corresponding to G.R.No. 1144 of 2025.

8. This appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J)

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

16th June, 2026
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