IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 3102 of 2026

Md. Ekbal Haji @ Ebal Quraishi @ Md. Eqbal Quraishi aged about 41 years son of late Md. Jalil Quraishi, resident of Kasab Mohalla, Madarsha Road, New Bhojpur, PO and PS Buxar, District Buxar, Bihar .... Petitioner

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand .... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Rajesh Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Prabir Kr Chatterjee, Advocate

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*2/**16.06.2026*** Heard learned counsels for petitioner and for State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Hunterganj PS Case No.108 of 2025, for offence registered under section 317(5), 3(5) of BNS, 2023, Section 11 of Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Act and Section 12(1), 12(2), 12(3) of Jharkhand Bovine Animal (Prohibition of Slaughter) Act pending in court of learned Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Chatra.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner submits that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case and the petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the pick up van in question and the owners of other pick up vans have been granted anticipatory bail in ABA No.6929 of 2025. He next submits that the only allegation is made that the petitioner was master-mind of carrying the bovine animals and the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph no.15 of the petition.

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that allegations are there that the petitioner was involved in transporting the bovine animals and in view of that anticipatory bail may kindly be rejected.

5. Considering that the petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the said vehicle and the owners of other pick vans have been granted anticipatory bail as aforesaid and further the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as aforesaid and the only allegation is made against the petitioner that he is involved in transporting the bovine animals, 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 Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Chatra, in connection with Hunterganj PS Case No.108 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

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