IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 3173 of 2026

1.Parmeshwar Mahato @ Praneshwar Mahato aged of 26 years son of Nitai Mahato, resident of Village Jargodih, PO Soro, PS Ichagarh, Dist. Seraikella-Kharsawan
2.Bahadur Mahato aged about 63 yeas son of Dukhu Mahato, resident of village Jargodih, PO Soro, PS Ichagarh, District Seraikella-Kharsawan .... Petitioners

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand .... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners :- Mr. Upendra Nath Mahato, Advocate
For the State :- Mrs. Priya Shrestha, Advocate

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*2/**18.06.2026*** Heard learned counsels for petitioners and for State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Ichagarh PS Case No.62 of 2024, for offence registered under section 190, 191(2), 191(3), 195, 221, 224, 121(1), 132, 109, 301 and 3(5) of BNS, 2023, pending in court of learned A.C.J.M., at Chandil.

3. Learned counsel for petitioners submits that the allegations are made that the petitioners were members of unlawful assembly and they have assembled at the place of occurrence after accident and obstructed the Highway for 12 hours by keeping the dead body of the deceased on the road and used force against the police personnel and assaulted the police personnel on duty. He next submits that the petitioners have got one criminal antecedent and the Coordinate Bench in identical situation has granted anticipatory bail to the co-accused persons in ABA Nos.206 of 2025, 1148 of

2025, 1314 of 2025 and on these grounds he submits that anticipatory bail to the petitioners may kindly be granted.

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that the petitioners were the members of unlawful assembly.

5. Considering that only allegation is made that the Highway was blocked by the mob pursuant to death of a person, however, the petitioners have got one criminal antecedent of carrying sand in which the petitioners have been granted anticipatory bail and the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail as aforesaid, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to petitioners.

6. Accordingly, both the petitioners, above named, are hereby directed to surrender before 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 like amount each, to satisfaction of learned A.C.J.M., at Chandil, in connection with Ichagarh PS Case No.62 of 2024, 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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