IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 3471 of 2026

Devanand Mahto, aged about 31 years, son of Late Dindayal Mahto, resident of village – Petarwar, PO and PS – Petarwar, District – Bokaro, Jharkhand **.... Petitioner**

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand **.... Opposite Party**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Ritesh Kr. Mahto, Advocate

For the State :- Mr. Suraj Deo Munda, Advocate

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*02/**30.06.2026*** Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as well as learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Petarwar P.S. Case No. 130 of 2024, registered for the offences under Sections 189(2), 190, 121(1), 132 and 352 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Bermo at Tenughat.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that in a road accident, one person has died, pursuant to that agitations were made by the villagers and further it has been alleged that they have obstructed the public servants in discharging their official duty and the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in ABA Nos.1173 of 2026, 2466 of 2026 and A.B.A. No. 2055 of 2026. On these grounds, he submits that anticipatory bail may kindly be granted.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and submits that the allegations are there to obstruct the public servants from discharging their official duty.

5. Considering that agitations were being made arising out of a road accident, in which, one person has died and further there are general and omnibus allegations against all the accused persons and the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid A.B.As, and in that view of the matter, I am inclined to provide anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner, above named, is hereby directed to surrender before the learned Court within three weeks from today, and in the event of his surrender/arrest, the petitioner, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand), with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned S.D.J.M., Bermo at Tenughat in connection with Petarwar P.S. Case No. 130 of 2024, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated 30.06.2026
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