(2026:JHHC:21502)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 6824 of 2026

Aniket Kumar Pathak @ Aniket Pathak, aged about 20 years, son of Late Sankarshan Pathak @ Shankar Pathak @ Shankar Kumar, resident of House No. 22, Shiv Durga Mandir, New Madhukam, P.O. & P.S. –Sukhdeo Nagar, District –Ranchi, Jharkhand.

… Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand … Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Shashi Bhushan Jha, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Someshwar Jha, Addl. P.P.

Order No.02 Dated- 21.07.2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with N.D.P.S. Case No. 50 of 2026 arising out of Sukhdoenagar P.S. Case No.36 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable under sections 21(a)/22 of the NDPS Act, Section 310(4), 310(5), 111(1) of the B.N.S., 2023 and under Section 25(1-B)a/26/35 of the Arms Act.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was making preparation for committing dacoity and from the co-accused two grams of brown sugar was recovered. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and no incriminating material has been recovered from the possession of the petitioner. It is then submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in para –11 of the bail application. It is next submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 31.01.2026, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 13 of the bail application. It is also submitted that the co-accused person has already been admitted to bail by this Court vide order dated 22.04.2026 in B.A. No. 2409 of 2026. It is further submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case

and further undertakes that he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the above-named petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to 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 Special Judge (NDPS), Ranchi, in connection with N.D.P.S. Case No. 50 of 2026 arising out of Sukhdoenagar P.S. Case No.36 of 2026 with the condition that the petitioner will co-operate with the trial of the case and will furnish his mobile number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card with an undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case, with further condition that he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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