IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 4225 of 2026

Safikul Sheikh, aged about 49 years, son of Arajad Ali, resident of Sitarampur, PO – Bhawanipur, PS – Pakur, District – Pakur, Jharkhand

.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Anjani Kumar, Advocate

For the State :- Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Advocate

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*02/**30.07.2026*** Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as well as the learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Pakur Town (Malpahari O.P.) P.S. Case No.27 of 2026, for the alleged offences registered under Sections 303(2), 317(2) and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Section 4/21 of Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957, Rule 54 of Jharkhand Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2004 and under Rule 7/9/13 of Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining Transportation and Storage) Rule, 2017 pending in the Court of learned Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Pakur.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be owner of one of the Tractor and the allegations are made of carrying 120 cft. of stone chips. He further submits that the tractor is commercial and stone chips were booked by another person. He then submits that the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.13 of the petition. He next submits that in

identical situation co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail in ABA Nos.1742 of 2026, 1859 of 2026 and 2169 of 2026.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposes the prayer and submits that illegally stone chips were being carried in the said tractor.

5. Considering that the petitioner happened to be owner of one of the Tractor and the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.13 of the petition and in identical situation co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid ABAs, 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 Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Pakur in connection with Pakur Town (Malpahari O.P.) P.S. Case No.27 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated 30.07.2026
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