IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 4814 of 2026

Rajendra Mahto @ Indar Mahto aged about 46 years, son of Late Nanhku Mahto, resident of Village- Hathuwadharan Jarga, P.O.-Gujhandi, P.S.- Telaiya, District- Koderma.

..... … Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

..... … Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : Mr. Randhir Kumar, Advocate.
For the State : Mr. Achinto Sen, A.P.P.

03/ 24.08.2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Telaiya P.S. Case No. 298 of 2025, registered for the offence under Sections 272, 274, 275 and 292 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 47(a)(f) of Jharkhand Excise Act, pending in the court of learned Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Koderma.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has rented out his house to Santosh Mahto and Nanku Mahto and he was not residing in the said house and the said house was being utilized by said Santosh Mahto and Nanku Mahto and they were involved in preparing the mohua liquor. He next submits that said Santosh Mahto and Nanku Mahto are also named in the FIR. He further submits that the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent and disclosure to that effect has been made in para-10 of the petition. On these grounds, he submits that anticipatory bail may kindly be provided to the petitioner.

4. Learned A.P.P. has opposed the prayer and submits that the house was of the petitioner. On this ground, he submits that anticipatory bail may kindly be rejected.

5. Considering that the house was being used by Santosh Mahto and Nanku Mahto, as the petitioner has rented his house to them and the petitioner was not residing in the said house and further the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent and disclosure to that effect has been made in para-10 of the petition and in the attending facts and circumstances of the case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner, named above, is directed to surrender before the learned court within four weeks from today and in the event of his surrender / arrest, the petitioner, named above, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty-five thousand), with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Koderma, in connection with Telaiya P.S. Case No. 298 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated:-24.08.2026
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