IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 4859 of 2026

Arbind Kumar @ Prasad, aged about 47 years, S/o Yadunand Prasad, R/o village – Saptgini, near ITI, PO and PS – Sadar, District – Hazaribagh, Jharkhand, 825301

.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Harsh Preet Singh, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Advocate

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*02/**27.08.2026*** 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 Keredari P.S. Case No.01 of 2026, for the alleged offences registered under Sections 317(5) and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Section 30(ii) of Coal Mines Act and Section 33 of Indian Forest Act pending in the Court of learned J.M. 1st Class, Hazaribag.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is not the owner of tractor and the allegations are made of carrying coal. He further submits that the petitioner has already sold the said tractor to one Vijay Ganjhu. He then submits that owner-cum-driver of another tractor has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court in ABA No.2495 of 2026. He next submits that the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as

disclosed in paragraph No.12 of the petition. 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 petitioner happened to be owner of the said tractor.

5. Considering that there is dispute about the ownership of the said tractor and it has been pointed out that the petitioner has already sold the said tractor to one Vijay Ganjhu and owner-cum-driver of another tractor has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court in the aforesaid ABA and the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.12 of the petition, 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 J.M. 1st Class, Hazaribag in connection with Keredari P.S. Case No.01 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated 27.08.2026
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