IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A. B. A. No. 4875 of 2026

Afridi Raja, age about 18 years, son of Mohammad Nuris, resident of village-Khatkhur Bahal, Post Office and Police Station-Kutra, District-Sundergarh (Odisha)

..... …Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ..... … Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :Ms. Rashika Bhardwaj, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Prabir Kumar Chatterjee, Spl.P.P.

02/ 28.08.2026: Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Nagri P.S. Case No. 132 of 2025, registered under sections 317(5), 3(5) of BNS, 2023 and under section 12(1) Jharkhand Bovine Animal Prohibition of Slaughter Act and under section 11(1) (D)/11(1) (E) Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Act, pending in the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Ranchi.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the name of the petitioner has come only on suspicion and petitioner is neither owner nor driver of the pick up van. She next submits that petitioner has got no criminal antecedent which is disclosed in para 17 of the petition. She next submits that four of the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in A.B.A. No. 653 of 2026. On these grounds, she submits that the petitioner may kindly be provided privilege of anticipatory bail.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer and submits that the name of the petitioner has come on suspicion.

5. Considering that the name of the petitioner has come on suspicion, the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent which is disclosed in

para 17 of the petition and four of the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid A.B.A and in the attending facts and circumstances of the case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the above named, petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned court within three weeks from today and in the event of his surrender / arrest, the petitioner 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 Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Ranchi, in connection with Nagri P.S. Case No. 132 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of B.N.S.S, 2023.

Dt.28.08.2026 **(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)**

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