(2026:JHHC:9163)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 2635 of 2026

Karan Kumar Ray @ Karan Ray, aged about 22 years, s/o Nand Kishore Ray, r/o Shivpuri Colony, Chas, P.O. & P.S.-Chas, Dist.-Bokaro, Jharkhand … Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ··· Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Vishal Srivastava, Advocate
For the State : Ms. Praful Jojo, Addl. P.P.

Order No.02 Dated- 01.04.2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with S.T. No. 365 of 2025 arising out of Pindrajora P.S. Case No.104 of 2025 (G.R. No.1172 of 2025) registered for the offences punishable under sections 103(1)/3(5) of the B.N.S., 2023.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner in furtherance of common intention with the co-accused person and in criminal conspiracy with them; has committed the murder of Dhananjay Gupta. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and the petitioner has been implicated in this case on the basis of his own confessional statement as well as the statement of the co-accused person. It is next submitted that there is no eyewitness to the occurrence and charge has been framed in this case. It is next submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no.09 of the bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 01.08.2025, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 01 of the bail application. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. on the other hand vehemently opposes the prayer for bail and submits that keeping in view the direct and

specific allegation against the petitioner of committing murder of Dhananjay Gupta and as the postmortem report shows that there were altogether twelve deep cut penetrative wound on the body of the deceased, showing the brutal nature of the murder, there is every chance of the petitioner absconding and tampering with evidence, if released on bail. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner ought not to be admitted to bail.

Considering the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner and the chance of the petitioner absconding and tampering with evidence if released on bail, this Court is of the considered view that this is not a fit case where the abovenamed petitioner be admitted to bail at this stage. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the abovenamed petitioner is rejected.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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