(2026:JHHC:9905)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B. A. No. 1229 of 2026

Salman Ansari, aged about 20 years, s/o Hanif Miyan, resident of village – Ghanghri, PO – Jhurjhuri, PS – Barkatha, District – Hazaribag, Jharkhand. **... ... ...Petitioner**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand. **... ... ...Opp. Party**

For the Petitioner : Md. Imran Ansari, Advocate
: Mr. S. Yunus, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Santosh Kr. Shukla, Addl. P.P.

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

Order No:- 03, Dated:- 07th April, 2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with Barkatha P.S. Case No. 153 of 2025 registered for the offences punishable under sections 308(4) of the BNS, 27, 25(1-b)a, 26/35 of the Arms Act.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was demanding ransom of Rs. 10,00,000/- over mobile phone. Further allegation is that from co-accused person, namely, Naved Khan @ Golu, one pistol along with magazine along with eight live cartridges were recovered and the petitioner was with the co-accused. It is next submitted that except the confessional statement, there is no other material to implicate the petitioner in this case. It is next submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 7 of the bail application and charge-sheet has been submitted. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 11.11.2025, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 16 of the bail application. It is next submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case and further undertakes that he will not annoy or disturb the informant or the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. It is lastly

submitted that the co-accused person with similar allegation has already been admitted to bail by this Court vide order dated 18.03.2026 in B.A. No. 164 of 2026. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the abovenamed petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to 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 Judicial Magistrate – 1st Class, Hazaribag,*** in connection with ***Barkatha P.S. Case No. 153 of 2025*** with the condition that the petitioner will cooperate with the trial of the case and will furnish his mobile number and a copy of his Aadhar Card in the court below with the undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case, with further condition that he will not annoy or disturb the informant or the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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