IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 2241 of 2026

Jitu Ranjan Yadav @ Chitu Ranjan Yadav, aged about 23 years, son of Santosh Yadav, resident of village – Dakadiri, PO – Balubhang, PS – Bariyatu, District – Latehar

.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Abhay Kr. Chaturvedy, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Suraj Deo Munda, Advocate

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*02/**06.05.2026*** Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as well as the learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Bariyatu P.S. Case No.14 of 2025 for the alleged offences registered under Sections 15(c), 17(c), 18(b), 22, 25 and 29 of NDPS Act, pending in the Court of learned Special Judge NDPS, Latehar.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be innocent villager and the allegation is made against the petitioner of cultivation of poppy plants on the gairmazarua land. He further submits the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.16 of the petition. He then submits that in identical situation co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail in ABA No.7232 of 2025.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer

and submits that the allegations are there of cultivation of poppy plants on the gairmazarua land.

5. Considering that the land is not belonging to the petitioner and the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph No.16 of the petition and in identical situation co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid ABA, 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 Special Judge NDPS, Latehar in connection with Bariyatu P.S. Case No.14 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated 06.05.2026
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