2026:JHHC:27750

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
**Cr. Appeal (SJ) No.476 of 2026**

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Banti Singh, aged about 23 years, son of Jyoti Lal Singh, resident of Village Barlanga, P.O. and P.S. Barlanga, District Ramgarh, Jharkhand

**….. Appellant(s).**

**Versus**

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Victim.

**..... Respondents**

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR**

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For the Appellant(s) : Mr. Dinesh Choudhary, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Vishwanath Roy, APP
For the Resp. No.02 : Mr. Akshay Kumar, Amicus Curiae

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**Order No.05/ Dated: 15th September, 2026**

**1.** Heard learned counsel for appellant, learned APP and learned amicus for the respondent No.2/victim.

**2.** The appellant, who is in custody since 31.08.2025 has approached this court against the order dated 19.02.2026, passed in MCA No. 1867 of 2025 by the court of learned A.J.C.-II-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Ranchi in connection with SC/ST P.S. Case No.47 of 2025 registered for the offence under Sections 64, 140(1), 352, 351(3), 61(2), 3(5) of the BNS, 2023 and Section 3(1)(r)(s)(w)(i)(ii) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act (For short the SC/ ST Act), whereby the prayer for grant of regular bail of the appellant has been rejected.

**3.** Innocence of the appellant has been claimed and undertaking has been given to participate in the trial. It has been submitted that even as per allegation, there was a long consensual relationship between the parties and a baby girl has been born out of the said relationship. Even the allegation is accepted, it is a case of kidnaping of the baby girl by the father himself. It has been further submitted that it is nothing but a personal dispute between the parties and criminality has been attached to make out a case. On the above basis, prayer for bail has been made.

**4.** On the other hand, learned APP and learned Amicus for the

respondent No.2 have opposed the prayer for bail and it has been submitted that the F.I.R clearly discloses the commission of alleged crime.

**5.** Having heard learned counsel for the parties and from perusal of the records, it appears that both the parties were major and there was a long consensual relationship between them.

**6.** Considering the above facts, I am inclined to enlarge the appellant on bail. Accordingly, the appellant is directed to be enlarged on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned A.J.C.-II-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Ranchi in connection with SC/ST P.S. Case No.47 of 2025, subject to the condition that the appellant(s) shall submit self-attested photocopy of his/her/their Aadhaar Card and also submit his/her/their mobile number before the learned court below, which he/she/they will always keep active and will not change it during pendency of the case without prior permission of the court.

**7.** In the result, the present criminal appeal stands allowed and, accordingly, disposed of.

**8.** The Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority, Ranchi shall pay the remuneration, as admissible, to the learned Amicus, on submission of bill(s).

**(Rajesh Kumar, J.)**

15th September, 2026
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