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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (SJ) No.517 of 2026

Devnarayan Yadav, aged about 45 years, son of Late Mudrika Yadav, resident of Village Vishrampur, P.O. Vishrampur, P.S. Ranka, District Garhwa. ….. **Appellant(s)**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. xxxx. ..... **Respondents**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR

For the Appellant(s) : Mr. Shashikant Jaiswal, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Bishambhar Shastri, APP

Order No.03/ Dated: 2nd September, 2026

1. Heard learned counsel for appellant and learned APP for the State.

2. In spite of valid service of notice, nobody appears on behalf of the victim/ respondent No.2.

3. The appellant, who is in custody since 12.02.2026 has approached this court against the order dated 21.05.2026, passed in MCA No. 360 of 2026 arising out of SC/ST Case No.17 of 2026 corresponding to Ranka P.S. Case No.185 of 2023 by the court of learned Additional Sessions Judge-I-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST (PoA) Act, Garhwa registered for the offence under Sections 147, 148, 149, 323, 307, 354, 385, 387, 504 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code and under section 3(1)(r)(s) of the S.C/S.T (Prevention of Atrocities) Act (For short the SC/ ST Act), whereby the prayer for grant of regular bail to the appellant has been rejected.

4. Innocence of the appellant has been claimed and undertaking has been given to participate in the trial. It has been submitted by the learned counsel for the appellant that five accused, namely, Amarnath Minj, Shubham Ekka, Niranjan Prasad, Lalu Yadav and Ishwar Yadav have already been granted bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 15.03.2024 in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No.875

of 2023. On the above basis, prayer for bail has been made.

5. On the other hand, learned APP has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant.

6. Considering the above materials and discussions made hereinabove, 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 Additional Sessions Judge-I-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST (PoA) Act, Garhwa, in connection with SC/ST Case No.17 of 2026 arising out of Ranka P.S. Case No.185 of 2023, 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.

(Rajesh Kumar, J.)

2nd September, 2026
Madhav/-
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