IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Criminal Appeal (S.J.) No.741 of 2026

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1. Ajit Yadav, aged about 24 years, son of Ram Pravesh Yadav
2. Santosh Yadav aged about 20 years Son of Wakil Yadav @ Wakil Raut, Both are residents of Village-Kouribahiyar, P.O. + P.S.-Godda(Town), District-Godda.

…. …. Appellant(s)

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Prahlad Das, S/o Ganori Das, R/o Village-Kouribahiyar, P.O+ P.S.-Godda (Town), District-Godda, Jharkhand

…. …. Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR

For the Appellants : Mr. S.P. Roy, Advocate
Mr. Ranjit Kumar, Adv.
For the State : Mr. Shiv Shankar Kumar, A.P.P.

04/Dated: 28.10.2026

1. Heard the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the State has submitted that the victim has already been informed regarding pendency of the present appeal and an affidavit to that effect has also been filed. Despite such intimation, nobody appears on behalf of the victim.

3. The present appeal has been filed against the impugned order dated 01.07.2026 passed in M.C.A No.373 of 2026 by the learned Special Judge, (SC/ST Act), Godda rejecting the prayer for bail of the appellants in connection with Godda (T) P.S. Case No.11 of 2026, registered for the offence under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 117(2), 332(a), 118(2), 109, 74, 351(2), 352/3(5) of the B.N.S, 2023 and Sections 3(1)(r) & 3(1)(s) of the SC/ST (PoA) Act. The case is now pending in the court of the learned Special Judge, (SC/ST Act), Godda.

4. It has been submitted by the learned counsel for the appellants that as per the allegation, simple scuffle has taken place between the parties during

procession of "*saraswati puja"* and further no injury is found to be life threatening. There is general and omnibus allegation. It has further been submitted that the appellants are in custody since 15.06.2026 and they undertake to participate in the trial. On the above basis, prayer for bail has been made.

5. Learned counsel for the State has opposed the prayer for bail stating that the victim has been abused and assaulted, and as such, the offence under the SC/ST (PoA) Act is made out.

6. Considering the above facts, the appellants named above, are directed to be released on bail, on their furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge, (SC/ST Act), Godda in connection with Godda (T) P.S. Case No.11 of 2026, subject to the condition that the appellants will submit self-attested photocopy of their Aadhaar Cards and also submit their mobile numbers before the learned trial court which they shall 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.)

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