Neutral Citation
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P. (Cr.) No. 523 of 2026

Firdosh Ansari, R/o Gram Oyna, P.O.- Chandve, P.S.- Pithoria, Dist.- Ranchi. **--- --- Petitioner**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand through Chief Secretary, Dhurwa, Ranchi.
2. The Officer-in-Charge, Pithoria Police Station, Post Office-Chandve, P.S.- Pithoria, Dist.- Ranchi.

--- --- Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Haider Ali, Adv.
For the State : AC to Sr. A.A.G.

02/10.09.2026 Heard Mr. Haider Ali, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned AC to Sr. A.A.G.

In this writ application, the petitioner has prayed for quashing of the entire criminal proceedings in connection with Pithoria P.S. Case No. 69/2026 instituted for the offences punishable under Section 96 B.N.S. and Section 8/12 of the POCSO Act.

It has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has been primarily implicated on account of the fact that he is the brother of the main accused, who had eloped with the victim girl and in fact, in her 183 B.N.S.S. statement, the victim girl has categorically deposed that she was having a love affair with the brother of the petitioner. Learned counsel submits that the petitioner was not at all involved in abduction of the victim as has been alleged.

Learned AC to Sr. A.A.G. has opposed the prayer made in this application.

It appears from the First Information Report that the petitioner as well as the other accused persons were instrumental in abducting the daughter of the informant with an intent to convert her religion. As per the learned counsel for

the petitioner, the age of the victim has been assessed to be 16 years 6 months. The question of consent does not arise in the case on account of the victim being a minor. So far as the petitioner is concerned, though it has been claimed that the petitioner has been framed on account of being the brother of the main accused, but it appears from the allegations levelled that the petitioner was also one of the persons who had assisted his brother to abduct the daughter of the informant. The investigation is at its nascent stage and it would be premature at this stage to make any observation with respect to the submissions advanced by learned counsel for the petitioner.

This application sans any merit, stands dismissed.

(*Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.*)

Dated- 10th September, 2026.
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