IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (S.J.) No. 792 of 2026

Manoj Kumar, aged about 42 years, son of Jiwadhan Prasad, Resident of village- Peshra, P.O. Gangpancho, P.S.- Barkatha, District- Hazaribagh.

.... …. Appellant(s)

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Baleshwar Ravidas, son of Bholi Ravidas, aged about 62 years, resident of village- Merawal, P.S. & P.O. Sadar, District- Hazaribagh.

.... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR

For the Appellant(s) : Mr. Jitendra S. Singh, Sr. Advocate
Ms. Pragati Prasad, Advocate
For the State : Mrs. Shweta Singh, A.P.P.
For the Resp. No. 2 : Mr. Rajendra Pd. Gupta, Advocate

Order No.04/Dated: 28.10.2026

1. The present criminal appeal has been filed under Section 14-A of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

2. Heard learned counsel for the appellant, learned counsel for the State and learned counsel for the Respondent No.2/ victim.

3. The present appeal has been filed against the impugned order dated 03.07.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge-I-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Hazaribagh rejecting the prayer for bail of the appellant in M.C.A. No.1022 of 2026 in connection with SC/ST Case No.65 of 2024 arising out of Complaint Case bearing SC/ST Case No. 62 of 2019 filed under Section 406, 420 IPC and Section 3(i)(s) of the SC/ST Act. The case is presently pending in the court of the learned Additional Sessions Judge-I-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Hazaribagh. The appellant is in custody since 20.06.2026.

4. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the appellant that the matter has arisen out of a complaint case and cognizance has been taken against the appellant and under Section 406 and 420 of the Indian Penal Code r/w sections 3(i)(s) of SC/ST Act. Further, there is money transaction between the parties which is the cause of the dispute and due to that the incident had taken place.

5. Learned counsel for the State and learned counsel for the Respondent No.2 have vehemently opposed the prayer for bail of the

appellant.

6. Considering the factual matrix of the case, the appellant named above, is directed to be released on bail, on his furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of the Additional Sessions Judge-I-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Hazaribagh in connection with SC/ST Case No.65 of 2024 (SC/ST Case No. 62 of 2019), subject to the condition that the appellant will submit self-attested photocopy of his Aadhaar Card and also submit his mobile number before the learned trial Court which he 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 instant appeal stands allowed and disposed of.

(**Rajesh Kumar, J.**)

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