IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

Cr. Appeal (D.B) No.1118 of 2026

1. Rakesh Karmali, Aged about 35 years, S/o Badu Karmali
2. Babulal Manjhi, Aged about 47 years, S/o Late Anand Manjhi

Both R/o Village-Tandil, P.O.-Betul Kala, P.S.-Gola, District-Ramgarh (Jharkhand) ... Appellants

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ... Respondent

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR RAI

For the Appellants : Mr. Dilip Kr. Jaiswal, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Vishwanath Roy, Spl. P.P.

Order No.02/Dated: 17.09.2026

1. Heard Mr. Dilip Kr. Jaiswal, learned counsel for the appellants and learned Spl. P.P.

2. This appeal is directed against the order dated 25.07.2026 passed by the learned Sessions Judge, Bokaro in Sessions Trial No. 420 of 2024 arising out of Kasmar P.S. Case No. 12 of 2011 corresponding to G.R. No. 137 of 2011, whereby and whereunder the prayer for bail of the appellants has been rejected.

3. It has been alleged that some tractors were set ablaze by the extremists.

4. Submission has been advanced by the learned counsel for the appellants that the appellants have been implicated on the confessional statement of a co-accused who has already been acquitted in a separate trial. Learned counsel submits that one of the co-accused, namely, Surendra Karmali has been granted bail in

Criminal Appeal (D.B.) No. 1105 of 2026. Learned counsel adds that the appellants are in custody since 29.06.2026.

5. Learned Spl. P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellants.

6. Regard being had to the fact that one of the similarly situated co-accused having been granted bail by this Court, we while setting aside the order dated 25.07.2026 passed by the learned Sessions Judge, Bokaro in Sessions Trial No. 420 of 2024, direct that the appellants be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Ten thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Sessions Judge, Bokaro in connection with Sessions Trial No. 420 of 2024 arising out of Kasmar P.S. Case No. 12 of 2011 corresponding to G.R. No. 137 of 2011, subject to the condition that the appellants shall remain physically present before the learned trial court on each and every date till the conclusion of the trial unless prevented by any sufficient cause.

7. This appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

17th September, 2026
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