IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

Criminal Appeal (D.B.) No.1324 of 2026

Arun Ram, aged about 38 years, Son of Nageshwar Ram, Resident of Village-Manpur, P.O. Maliya, P.S. Rampur, District-Lakhisarai, State-Bihar, PIN-811310 **…. …. Appellant**

Versus

1. National Investigation Agency, New Delhi, N.I.A. Building, Opp. Dyal Singh College Road, C.G.O. Complex Pragati Vihar, New Delhi, P.O. & P.S.-New Delhi, District-New Delhi, PIN-110003
2. The State of Jharkhand **…. …. Respondents**

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rongon Mukhopadhyay
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ram Sharma

For the Appellant : Mr. Sameer Sahay Advocate
For the Respondents : P.P.

03/03.11.2026 Heard Mr. Sameer Sahay, learned counsel for the appellant and learned P.P.

This appeal is directed against the order dated 02.07.2026 passed in Misc. Cr. Application No.1435 of 2026 arising out of AHTU P.S. Case No.06 of 2026, corresponding to G.R. Case No.1265 of 2026 by the learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-IV-cum-Spl. Judge, POCSO Act, Ranchi, whereby and whereunder the prayer for bail of the appellant has been rejected.

It has been alleged that the appellant was apprehended from Dhanbad-Alleppey Express along with three children and the appellant was said to be involved in trafficking of the children.

Submission has been advanced by the learned counsel for the appellant that the appellant was taking the children for work at Tirupur with the consent of their parents. It has been submitted that the appellant is in custody since 09.03.2026.

Learned P.P. ongoing through the case diary has accepted the fact that the parents of the children had given their consent to the appellant to take them for work to Tirupur and in such context he has referred to paragraphs 46, 47 & 49 of the case diary.

In view of the statement of the parents of the victims and considering the period of custody of the appellant apart from the fact that the appellant

does not have any criminal antecedent as stated by the learned counsel for the appellant, we while setting aside the order dated 02.07.2026 passed in Misc. Cr. Application No.1435 of 2026 arising out of AHTU P.S. Case No.06 of 2026, corresponding to G.R. Case No.1265 of 2026 by the learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-IV-cum-Spl. Judge, POCSO Act, Ranchi direct that the appellant above named be released 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 Judicial Commissioner-IV-cum-Spl. Judge, POCSO Act, Ranchi in connection with Sessions Trial No.346 of 2026 arising out of AHTU P.S. Case No.06 of 2026, corresponding to G.R. Case No.1265 of 2026, subject to the condition that the appellant shall remain physically present before the learned trial court on each and every date till the conclusion of the trial, unless prevented by sufficient cause.

This appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Ram Sharma, J.)

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