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			BA1 No.2020 of 2025 Pappu Ram .....Applicant Vs. State of Uttarakhand .....Respondent **Hon'ble Pankaj Purohit, J.** Mr. Rajat Mittal, learned counsel for the applicant. 2. Mr. B.C. Joshi, learned A.G.A. for the State. 3. Applicant has moved this bail application in FIR No.0279 of 2025 dated 05.06.2025 under Sections 351(3) and 65(1) of B.N.S. 2023 and Section 3(b)/4 of POCSO Act, 2012, registered at Police Station-Rishikesh, District-Dehradun. 4. Facts of the case according to the FIR are that on 05.06.2025, in Mayakund Bengali Basti, Rishikesh, approximately 7-year-old Ritu was lured into his room by Sajjan Ram while on her way to collect stitched clothes from a nearby shop. The accused showed her an obscene video, inappropriately touched her private part, and threatened to kill her and her parents if she disclosed the incident, after which the victim managed to escape and reported the occurrence to her mother, Smt. Anita Devi, who subsequently filed a police complaint at Police Station Kotwali Rishikesh. 5. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case due to false and frivolous allegations that do not disclose any *prima facie* offence under Sections 65(1) and 351(3) of the B.N.S. and under Section 3/4 of POCSO Act, 2012.

			6. It is vehemently submitted by the learned counsel for the applicant that initially the allegations made in the FIR were made by victim against Sajjan Kumar but at the concluding lines of the FIR it was submitted that action be taken against Pappu Ram. 7. It is further submitted that the applicant has no prior criminal history and is languishing in jail since 06.06.2025, and on the grounds of his false implication and clean antecedents, he is entitled to be enlarged on bail. 8. The learned counsel for the State vehemently opposes the bail application, submitting that the allegations disclosed in the FIR reveal a grave and heinous offense committed against an approximately 7-year-old minor victim, wherein the applicant lured her into his room, subjected her to obscene content and sexual assault, and intimidated her with threats to kill her and her parents. Given the severity of the crime, the direct involvement of the applicant as established by the FIR and victim's statement, and the gravity of the accusations, the applicant is not entitled to be released on bail. 9. Having considered the rival submissions of the parties, perused the material available on record, this Court finds that FIR attributes the alleged acts to one Sajjan Ram whereas in concluding portion seeks legal action against the present applicant Pappu Ram. Furthermore this Court finds that although the statement of the victim contains the name of the applicant, the cross examination of victim’s mother brings out certain circumstances surrounding his implication, particularly in relation to presence of Sajjan Singh and his family at a function. Such circumstances at

this stage do not sufficiently establish the applicant involvement in the alleged incident.

10. Considering the aforesaid discrepancy that the applicant has no criminal history and in judicial custody since 06.06.2025, this Court is of the view that further incarceration of the applicant is not warranted, therefore, this Court is of the view that the applicant is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

11. Accordingly bail application of applicant-Pappu Ram is allowed. Let applicant be released on bail, on his executing a personal bond and furnishing two reliable sureties, each of the like amount, to the satisfaction of the court concerned.

(Pankaj Purohit, J.)
17.11.2026

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