[2026:JHHC:30209]

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No.5642 of 2026

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1. Pradeep Ram, aged about 39 years, son of Nagendra Ram, resident of Village- Rambandh, P.O.- Kosiara, P.S.- Haidarnagar, Dist- Palamau, Jharkhand

2. Kelash Ram @ Kailash Ram, aged about 78 years, son of Mangru Ram, resident of Village- Rambandh, P.O.- Kosiara, P.S.- Haidarnagar, Dist- Palamau, Jharkhand

3. Sony Devi @ Soni Kumari, aged about 26 years, wife of Mandeep Ram, resident of Village- Rambandh, P.O.- Kosiara, P.S.- Haidarnagar, Dist- Palamau, Jharkhand

4. Deelip Ram @ Deelip Kumar, aged about 25 years, son of Nagendra Ram, son of Mangru Ram, resident of Village- Rambandh, P.O.- Kosiara, P.S.- Haidarnagar, Dist- Palamau, Jharkhand .... …. Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand .... Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioners : Mr. Mukesh Kr. Mehta, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Rakesh Kr. Sinha, Addl.P.P.

Order No.02 Dated-08-10-2026

Heard the parties.

Apprehending their arrest in connection with Haider Nagar P.S. Case No.43 of 2023 instituted under Section 147, 148, 341, 323, 324 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code, Section 3 and 4 of the Prevention of Witch (Daain) Practices Act, 2001, the petitioners have moved this Court for grant of privileges of anticipatory bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the allegation against the petitioners is that the petitioners were members of an unlawful assembly and in prosecution of the common object of the assembly, the caused hurt to the informant

and his family members on the allegation that they are practicing Witch Craft. It is submitted that the allegation against the petitioners is false. Drawing attention of this Court towards para-06 of the instant bail application, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have no criminal antecedent. It is lastly submitted that the petitioners undertake to co-operate with the investigation of the case and that they will not annoy or disturb the informant or the victims or any of their family members in any manner during the pendency of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioners be given the privileges of anticipatory bail.

Learned Addl. P.P appearing for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioners.

Considering the submissions of learned counsels and the facts and circumstances stated above, I am inclined to grant privileges of anticipatory bail to the petitioners. Accordingly, the petitioners are directed to surrender in the Court below within two weeks from today and in the event of their arrest or surrendering, they will be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Twenty five thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned J.M.F.C., Palamau at Daltonganj in connection with Haider Nagar P.S. Case No.43 of 2023 **with the condition that they will co-operate with the investigation of the case and appear before the investigating officer as and when noticed by him and furnish their mobile number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card with an undertaking that they will not change their mobile number during the pendency of the case and they will not annoy or disturb the informant or the victims or any of their family members in any manner during the pendency of the case** and further conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

Dated-08.10.2026-Animesh/