

(2025:JHHC:12982)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 3471 of 2025

Rupesh Mahli, aged about 22 years, s/o Sukhnandan Mahli,
r/o Vill-Narauli, P.O.-Narauli, P.S.-Kairo, Dist.-Lohardaga

... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

...

Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Nandan Prasad, Advocate

For the State : Mrs. Mahua Palit, Addl. P.P.

Order No.02 Dated- 30.04.2025

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with S.T. Case No. 262 of 2024 arising out of Balumath P.S. Case No.103 of 2024 registered for the offences punishable under sections 96/137(2) of the B.N.S., 2023.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner kidnapped and procured the minor victim girl for solemnizing marriage with her. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and the minor victim girl has been examined as P.W.4 and she has been declared hostile and she has not supported the case of the prosecution. It is next submitted that the cousin brother of the victim who was examined as P.W.1 has also been declared hostile; upon not supporting the case of the prosecution and the informant has been examined as P.W.2 and she has stated that only because she was suspecting that the petitioner has enticed away her daughter hence, she instituted the case. It is further submitted that the P.W.3 has also been declared hostile. It is also submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no.16 of the bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 17.09.2024 as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 17 of the bail application. It is next submitted that the petitioner

undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the abovenamed petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned A.S.J.-II, Latehar, in connection with S.T. Case No. 262 of 2024 arising out of Balumath P.S. Case No.103 of 2024 with the condition that the petitioner will cooperate with the trial of the case and will furnish his mobile number and a copy of his Aadhar Card in the court below with the undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

Sonu-Gunjan/