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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : Bail Appln./3019/2026

SALEH AHMED
SON OF LATE ABDUS SAMAND RESIDENT OF VILLAGE SAITRISH HAL P S RATABARI P O ANIPUR DISTRICT SRIBHUMI ASSAM PIN 788734

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM
REPRESENTED BY THE PP, ASSAM

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. N HAQUE, MR. A K AZAD,MR K UDDIN

Advocate for the Respondent : PP, ASSAM,

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJAN MONI KALITA

ORDER

Date : 10.11.2026

Heard Mr. H.R.A. Choudhury, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr. K. Uddin, learned counsel for the accused applicant. Also heard Ms. S.H. Bora, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the State.

2. This is an application under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 praying for grant of

bail to the accused applicant namely, Saleh Ahmed, in connection with Ratabari P.S. Case No. 137/2026 registered under Sections 316(2)/344/318(2)/61(2) BNS read with Section 7 (1) of the Essential Commodities Act.

3. The allegation in the FIR dated 07.09.2026, lodged before the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sribhumi, Assam, relates to alleged manipulation of stock registers and consequent misappropriation of essential commodities by the Society, namely, M/s Anipur Co-operative Society Ltd., under the Secretary ship of the accused applicant, involving other persons also.

4. On receipt of the FIR, police registered Ratabari P.S. Case No. 137/2026 under the aforementioned Sections.

5. The learned senior counsel appearing for the accused applicant submits that the preliminary enquiry does not reveal any discrepancy in the instant case. However, due to enmity, certain allegations have been made against the accused applicant in the FIR that has been lodged. He submits that since the accused applicant is inside the jail for the last 50 days, the accused applicant should be granted bail.

6. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposes the bail prayer of the accused applicant.

Case diary has been received and the same is perused.

7. This Court has considered the submissions made by the learned counsel for the parties and has gone through the materials available on record.

8. Taking into account the allegations as well as the length of detention undergone by the accused applicant, this Court is of the view that bail should be granted to the accused applicant.

9. Accordingly, it is directed that the accused applicant named above shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.50,000/- with one surety of like nature to the satisfaction of learned CJM, Sribhumi subject to the following conditions:-

(i) the accused applicant shall cooperate with the investigation and make himself available as and when called for;

(ii) the accused applicant shall not hamper or tamper with the evidence of the instant case;

10. In terms of the above, the instant application is disposed of.

JUDGE

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