Neutral Citation No. (2026:JHHC:33027-DB)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Criminal Appeal (D.B.) No. 1358 of 2026
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1. Prakash Kumar Sir @ Prakash Kumar
2. Anil Sir @ Anil Kumar Mahato @ Anil Kumar Mahto

… … Appellants

Versus

The State of Jharkhand … … Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY
: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAM SHARMA

For the Appellants : Mr. Chandrajit Mukherjee, Advocate
For the Respondent : A.P.P.

2/19.11.2026 I. A. No. 14901 of 2026:

Heard Mr. Chandrajit Mukherjee, learned counsel for the appellants and learned A.P.P. for the State.

This interlocutory application has been preferred by the appellants for condoning the delay of 53 days in filing this appeal.

Having been satisfied with the reasons assigned in the application, the same is allowed and the delay of 53 days in filing this appeal is hereby condoned.

I. A. No. 14901 of 2026 stands disposed of.

Cr. Appeal (DB) No. 1358 of 2026:

This appeal is directed against the order dated 04.06.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge III, Jamshedpur in A.B. P. No. 596 of 2026 arising out of Govindpur P. S. Case No. 54 of 2025 whereby and whereunder the prayer for anticipatory bail of the appellants has been rejected.

Submission has been advanced by the learned counsel for the appellants that the appellants were merely the employees of BHC Networking Pvt. Ltd. and the main allegation is against the co-accused – Md. Noshad Alam. He has further submitted that in similar

circumstances, some of the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail by a coordinate Bench of this court in Cr. Appeal (DB) Nos. 37 of 2026 and 47 of 2026.

Learned A.P.P. for the State though has opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the appellants, but has not disputed the aforesaid fact.

Regard being had to the above, we while setting aside the order 04.06.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge III, Jamshedpur in A.B. P. No. 596 of 2026, direct the appellants above named to surrender in the court below within four weeks and pray for bail, and in that event, they shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned A.C.J.M., Jamshedpur in connection with Govindpur P. S. Case No. 54 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

This appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Ram Sharma, J.)

19th November 2026
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