IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI A.B.A. No. 8952 of 2022

Sandeep Kumar Rajak Petitioner

Versus

The State of JharkhandOpposite party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRADEEP KUMAR SRIVASTAVA

For the Petitioner : Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Advocate For the State : Mrs. Vandana Bharti, A.P.P.

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Order No.03/ Dated:01.02.2023

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Apprehending his arrest in connection with Latehar P.S. Case No. 175 of 2019 instituted under Sections 420/ 406/ 419/ 467/ 468/ 34 of the Indian Penal Code and 66(B)/ 66(C)/ 66(D) of the Information Technology Act, the petitioner has moved to this Court for grant of privilege of anticipatory bail.

As per F.I.R, there is an allegation of fraudulent transaction of Rs. 1,00,000/- by the Branch Manager of Punjab National Bank, Alman Khakha.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence at all rather he has been falsely implicated in this case. It is submitted that present petitioner has been alleged to be associate of Bijay Kujur. Petitioner is employee of bank and no specific overt act has been attributed against him. It is further submitted that said, Bijay Kujur has been granted anticipatory bail by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in A. B. A. No. 5236 of 2022 vide order dated 18.08.2022. The case of the petitioner stands on better footing. Petitioner has no criminal antecedent. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner undertakes to co-operate with the investigation of the case and also abide by all terms and conditions which may be imposed in the

matter of granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Hence, the petitioner may be extended the privilege of anticipatory bail.

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

Considering the facts and circumstances of this case, the nature of allegation coupled with materials on record, I am inclined to grant privilege of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to surrender in the Court below within four weeks from today and in the event of his arrest or surrendering, he will be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Latehar in connection with Latehar P.S. Case No. 175 of 2019 with the condition that he will co-operate with the investigation of the case and appear before the investigating officer as and when noticed by him and furnish his mobile number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card with an undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the pendency of the case and subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

(Pradeep Kumar Srivastava, J.)

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