

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.57158 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-189 Year-2026 Thana- BODHGAYA District- Gaya

Pragati Sharma W/o Jitendra Sharma Resident Of 1 - 303 Pramukh Hills,
Chharwada Near Haria Hospital Chhiri Valsad Gujrat At Present Proprietor
Narayani Indane Resident Of Mohalla - Manpur, P.S.- Muffasil, Dist. - Gaya
Ji.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Shivendra Prasad, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Renuka ratnakar (A.P.P-125)

CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA
ORAL ORDER

2 19-08-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 318(4) of the B.N.S. and Section 7 of the Essential Commodities Act.

3. The allegation in the F.I.R. is that the petitioner indulged in black marketing of LPG cylinders and a large number of empty cylinders were found in her stock.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present First Information Report has been filed with false allegations against her of indulging in black marketing of LPG cylinders, as a greater number of empty cylinders were found in her stock. The petitioner is the proprietor of Narayani Gas



Agency and she had been providing cylinders to the battalion of the SSB (Sashatr Seema Bal) Gaya, Paramilitary Force etc. and a reference has been made to certain letters issued from the Office of the Commandant, Bihar Visesh Sashatra Police, Bodhgaya, disclosing therein that the concerned department had received the LPG. It has further been submitted that there was neither any deficiency nor shortage of any filled or empty LPG cylinders in the godown of the agency of the petitioner. Further, the petitioner is a lady having no criminal antecedent and there is no flight risk.

5. Learned APP for the State opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail on the basis of allegations made in the First Information Report.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the defence of the petitioner, coupled with the fact that the petitioner is a lady having no criminal antecedent and she undertakes to cooperate in the investigation, let the above named petitioner, be released on bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of



the learned Court below where the case is pending/successor
Court in connection with Bodhgaya P.S. Case No. 189 of 2026,
subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482 (2) of
the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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