

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Criminal Miscellaneous No.66221 of 2018

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-258 Year-2016 Thana- Katihar District- Katihar

Sanjeev Paswan @ Sanjeet Paswan @ Sanjeet Kumar Paswan, @ Sanjeev Kumar Paswan, Son of Rajendra Paswan, resident of Village- Channadih Bhagwan Chowk P.S.- Katihar (N), District- Katihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Bimal Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Amit Kumar Rakesh, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SRIVASTAVA
ORAL ORDER

3 02-01-2019 Heard learned counsels for the petitioner and the State.

Petitioner had earlier moved this Court for grant of bail in Cr. Misc. No. 763 of 2017, which was rejected vide order dated 23.02.2017 (Annexure-1).

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is rotting in judicial custody since 18.04.2016 i.e. more than two and half years and the trial of the case is progressing in a very slow pace.

This court vide order dated 12.12.2018 had called for report from the court below regarding the stage of the trial, which has been received and is kept at 'Flag X'. Perusal of the report shows that out of nine witnesses, eight witnesses have



already been examined and I.O. is only left to be examined for which summon has already been issued.

Learned Addl. P.P. appearing for the State opposed the prayer for bail and submitted that petitioner has committed heinous crime.

Considering the submissions of the parties and the stage of trial of the case, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. His prayer for bail is, therefore, rejected.

However, considering the period of custody of the petitioner, the trial court is directed to conclude the trial of the case expeditiously within a period of six months from today.

(Arvind Srivastava, J)

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