

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.64303 of 2019

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-227 Year-2019 Thana- MAJHAULIA District- West Champaran

SANTOSH MAHATO Son of Kishori Mahato Resident of Village - Ward no.
4, Parsa Mauje (Mauj), P.S.- Majhauria, Distt - West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Jitendra Narain Sinha

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Bharat Lal, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HEMANT KUMAR
SRIVASTAVA**

ORAL ORDER

5 07-09-2020 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as

learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State through video

conferencing.

Petitioner is in custody since 21.5.2019 in connection
with Majhauria P.S. Case No. 227/2019 registered for the
offences punishable under Sections 376, 511, 354, 354A, 354C,
354D/34 of the Indian Penal Code and 7, 8, 11 of POCSO Act.

The trial court vide its letter No. 173/2020 dated
2.8.2020 has reported that the trial of the petitioner is running
for recording the defence evidence.

Considering this aspect of the matter that the trial of
the petitioner is on the verge of conclusion, I am not inclined to
release the petitioner on bail for present and, accordingly, prayer
for bail of the petitioner stands rejected.



However, learned trial court is directed to dispose of the trial of the petitioner within four months from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order either via physical or video conferencing whichever is possible. It is also made clear that, if the trial court fails to dispose of the trial of the petitioner within the above stated period, the petitioner shall be at liberty to renew his prayer for bail before this Court.

(Hemant Kumar Srivastava, J)

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