

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.17034 of 2021**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-210 Year-2020 Thana- SONBERSA District- Sitamarhi

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ARJUN MAHTO S/O Ram Narayan Mahto Resident of Village - Sonbarsa  
Police Station - Sonbarsa, District - Sitamarhi.

... .. Petitioner

Versus

THE STATE OF BIHAR

... .. Opposite Party

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**Appearance :**

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

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Awadhesh Kumar Singh, APP.

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE BIRENDRA KUMAR**  
**ORAL ORDER**

3      04-10-2021                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

The petitioner is languishing in custody for the offences punishable under Section 414 of the I.P.C. and Sections 8/20 (b) (ii) (B) of the N.D.P.S. Act.

3 kg. of *Ganja* was recovered from the motorcycle of the petitioner. Petitioner has stated on oath that he has got no criminal antecedent. Petitioner is in custody since 19.10.2020.

Considering the nature of allegation, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. Hence, prayer for bail is refused in connection with Sonbarsa P.S. Case No. 210 of 2020 pending in the court of learned Special Judge, Sitamarhi.

However, the petitioner would be at liberty to renew the prayer, if the trial is not concluded within nine months.



The learned trial court is directed to expedite the trial.

**(Birendra Kumar, J)**

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