

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.6455 of 2021

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-120 Year-2020 Thana- PARASBIGHA District- Jehanabad

TEJPRATAP @ TEJPRATAP SINGH, S/O KAMTA PRASAD YADAV,
Resident Of Village - Shahpur, P. S. - Parasbigha, District – Jehanabad
... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar ... Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Uday Narayan Singh, Adv.
For the Opposite Party : Mr. Md. Anbzarul Haque Sahara, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ASHUTOSH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 14-12-2021 Heard Mr. Uday Narayan Singh, learned Advocate for
the petitioner and Mr. Md. Anbzarul Haque Sahara, learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

The petitioner seeks bail in anticipation of his arrest in
connection with Parasbigha P.S. Case No. 120 of 2020 dated
18.07.2020 instituted for the offences under Sections 420 and
379 of the Indian Penal Code.

The petitioner is alleged to have falsely recorded the
electric meter of four consumers. On enquiry, those meters
were found to have recorded lesser consumption of electrical
energy.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that
he is a contractual meter reader and there was no intention on
his part to have recorded any false reading of those meters. If
there was any difference in the reading of the meter by him and



during the enquiry by another meter reader, it could have been because of various other factors including tampering by the respective consumers. He further submits that if there was any mistake, it was only inadvertent. He also does not have good eye sight. However, assuming every allegation in the first information report to be true, no offence under Section 420 or 379 of the Indian Penal Code can not all be said to have been made out against the petitioner.

Considering the facts aforesaid, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before he Court below within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order, on his furnishing bail bond in the sum of Rs.10,000/- (rupees ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jehanabad, in connection with Parasbigha P.S. Case No. 120 of 2020 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Criminal Procedure Code.

(Ashutosh Kumar, J)

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