

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.13932 of 2021

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-289 Year-2020 Thana- KOILWAR District- Bhojpur

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RANJAN KUMAR SINGH Son of Lakshman Kumar Singh Resident of
Village - Dhamdiha, Police Station - Koilwar in the district of Bhojpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State Of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Sunil Kumar

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Umanath Mishra, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 28-01-2022 Due to the third wave of COVID-19 Pandemic, the

matter is being taken up by way of Virtual Court proceeding.

The matter has been listed under the heading ‘For
Orders’ under the orders of Hon’ble the Chief Justice.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State through virtual mode.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to
remove the defects, as pointed out by the Office, within a period
of four weeks after restoration of normalcy.

The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in a case
registered under Sections 341, 323, 504, 384, 386 and 379 of the
Indian Penal Code.

The prosecution allegation, in short, is that the
unknown accused persons came on a vehicle and on the point of



pistol, demanded *rangdari* from the informant and looted his belongings and cash.

It has been submitted on behalf of the petitioner that the petitioner has got no criminal antecedent. There is no allegation of tampering of witnesses alleged against the petitioner. As per the allegation, the accused persons are said to have committed an offence of extortion. The vehicle which was used for committing the offence is said to be Scorpio car. The petitioner is alleged to be owner of the said car in question. The said car is run as public carrier which was given on rent to one Binod Singh. The petitioner had no knowledge regarding the alleged incident. The petitioner has been made accused due to mistake of fact. The offences are triable by the Magistrate.

On behalf of the State, it is submitted that the petitioner is named in the F.I.R.

It is necessary to indicate here that this Court while considering the prayer made in the present anticipatory bail application has taken note of the exponential rise in number of covid cases due to outbreak of third wave of Covid-19 pandemic. Further this Court can also not lose sight of the fact that the condition of jails is not conducive and suitable to the present situation which has arisen due to the sudden rise in



covid cases.

Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the petitioner, above named, in the event of arrest/surrender before the learned court below within a period of twelve weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on his personal bonds to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bhojpur at Ara in connection with Koilwar P.S. Case No. 289 of 2020, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Once the normalcy is restored, the petitioner shall furnish bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each within a period of eight weeks to the satisfaction of the Court concerned in connection with the aforesaid case.

(Sudhir Singh, J)

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