

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.27972 of 2021

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-488 Year-2020 Thana- NAUBATPUR District- Patna

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SUJEET KUMAR MANJHI Son of Bigan Manjhi Resident of Village - Bari
Tangraila, P.S.- Bihta, District - Patna.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

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

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Satya Nand Shukla, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 15-02-2022 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 457 and 380 of the Indian Penal
Code.

The prosecution allegation, in short, is that a theft took
place in the shop of the informant.



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. The petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case. There is a theft which alleged to have taken place. The name of the petitioner has transpired merely on the basis of suspicion. Except for suspicion, there is no other substantive evidence to suggest the implication of the petitioner in the present case. There is no recovery of any incriminating articles from the possession of the petitioner.

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 A.C.J.M.- III, Danapur, Patna in connection with Naubatpur P.S. Case No. 488 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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