

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.43085 of 2021

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-8 Year-2021 Thana- MANSAHI District- Katihar

Prince Kumar Sharma @ Prince Kumar, aged about 35 years, Male Son of Late - Bhola Prasad Sharma, Resident of Village - Bari Mohanpur, P.S. - Mansahi, District - Katihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Binod Kumar the Junior Electricity Engineer, Mansahi Branch, Katihar.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Amit Kumar Anand, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s	:	Mr. Dashrath Mehta, APP
For the Electricity	:	Mr. Akhileshwar Singh, Advocate

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA

ORAL ORDER

4 17-02-2022 Heard the parties through video conferencing.

The petitioner seeks bail in anticipation of his arrest in connection with Mansahi P.S. Case No. 08 of 2021 instituted for the offences punishable under Sections 135 of the Bihar Electricity Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that there is a remedy available with regard to the settlement committee and he may be allowed to appear before the settlement committee.

Learned counsel appearing for the Electricity Department does not object and submits that the settlement committee shall decide the matter.

Having considered the aspects, taking into consideration the provisions of the settlement committee which provide depositing of 25% of the claimed amount as a priority before the settlement committee. If the petitioner deposits the said amount, he may approach before the settlement committee.

In the circumstances the petitioner is allowed bail, in the event of arrest he shall be released on anticipatory bail, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

(Sanjeev Prakash Sharma, J)

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