

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.38130 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-173 Year-2020 Thana- MADHUBANI COMPLAINT CASE
District- Madhubani

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Manoj Kumar Mahto Son Of Raj Kumar Mahto R/O Subhash Chowk Ward
No. 14 Jainagar, P.S.- Jainagar, Distt- Madhubani

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Shilpi Kumari Wife Of Manoj Kumar Mahto, Daughter Of Jiwachh Mahto
R/O Village- Suratganj Ward No. 15, P.S. And Distt.- Madhubani, At Present
Address- Khutauna Garib Nath Madhr Kumhar Toli, P.O. And P.S.-
Khutauna, Distt.- Madhubani

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ratanakar Jha
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Kumar Veerendra Narayan

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

2 29-09-2022 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 323, 341, 379, 354B, 498A, 504 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

Petitioner, who is husband of opposite party no2., is said to have ousted the opposite party no.2 from her matrimonial home in association of his family members over the dowry demand.

It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is an innocent person and has



committed no offence. Petitioner has neither made any dowry demand nor drove her out of her matrimonial home nor tormented her over the demand of dowry. He is still ready to keep her with full honour and dignity. The petitioner has relied upon the judgment of this Court in the case of **Md. Naimul Haque Ansari @ Naimul Haque Ansari & Ors. Vs. The State of Bihar**, reported in **2006 (3) PLJR 182**.

However, the petitioner is ready to give Rs.3,000.00 (Rupees Three Thousand) per month as maintenance to opposite party no.2 in first week of every month. It goes without saying that the aforesaid payment shall be subject to any order passed in matrimonial maintenance case or any other collateral proceeding. If the petitioner fails to give the aforesaid amount on two consecutive dates to opposite party no.2, his bail bond shall automatically be cancelled.

Learned counsel for the opposite party no. 2, under instruction, submits that opposite party no.2 undertakes to provide her bank account details to the petitioner within a period of two weeks by submitting the same on affidavit before the learned court below.

In that view of the matter, let the above named petitioner, be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of his



arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court below where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with C.R. No. 173 of 2020, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.,

If so advised, either of the parties will be at liberty to make an application before the learned Court below for referring the matter to the District Mediation Center for the purpose of reconciliation or one time settlement.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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