

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.58541 of 2021

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-22 Year-2021 Thana- MAHILA P.S. District- Bhagalpur

RATNA PRAKASH @ RATNA PRAKASH SINHA S/o Sri Chandrajeet Prasad Sinha Resident of Choti Khanjarpur S.M. College Road, P.S.- Barari, Distt.- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State Of Bihar
2. Anima @ Mishti D/o Prabhat Kumar Das, W/o Ratna Prakash Resident of Badi Khanjarpur, P.S.- Barari, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr.Uma Kant Mishra, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s	:	Ms.Rina Sinha, APP
For the Informant	:	Mr. P.K. Sinha, Adv.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MOHIT KUMAR SHAH
ORAL ORDER

3 06-06-2022 Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner apprehends his arrest in connection with Mahila P.S. Case No.22 of 2021, G.R. No. 1073 of 2021, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 498A, 341, 323, 504, 506/34 of the I.P.C. and 3/4 of the D.P. Act.

The marriage of the informant was solemnized with the petitioner on 25.11.2016 as per Hindu rites and rituals, however, subsequently, it has been alleged that the petitioner and his family members started abusing and harassing the informant on one pretext or the other as also started making demands for dowry.



At the outset, the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned counsel for the informant i.e. the wife of the petitioner herein jointly submit that now they are willing to settle the matrimonial disputes in between them by resorting to mediation proceedings.

Having regard to the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner (husband) and the learned counsel for the informant (wife), I deem it fit and proper to direct the petitioner to surrender before the learned court below within a period of four weeks from today, whereupon the learned court of ACJM-II, Bhagalpur in connection with Bhagalpur Mahila P.S. Case No. 22 of 2021 shall grant the privilege of provisional bail to the petitioner herein on the very same day. It is further directed that the learned court below shall engage the petitioner and the informant (wife) in mediation proceedings with a view to amicably settle the marital discord.

It is further directed that upon conclusion of the mediation proceedings, the learned court below shall take a final call with regard to either confirming the provisional bail to be granted to the petitioner or cancelling the same depending upon the final outcome



of the mediation proceeding as also considering the case of the petitioner on merits, without being prejudiced by the earlier rejection of the prayer for the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail by the learned court below.

It is further directed that for a period of four weeks from today, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner herein.

The present petition stands disposed of on the aforesaid terms.

(Mohit Kumar Shah, J)

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