

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.12475 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-22 Year-2022 Thana- D.R.I District- Patna

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PANKAJ PRASAD VERMA Son of Late Yogendra Prasad Verma Resident of
village - Near Ajrasen Bhawan Laxmania More, P.S.- Jhania, District -
Dhanbad - 828111. Ward No.- H- 3

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The Union of India through the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Patna.
Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Anuj Kumar

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.K.N.Singh (A.D.S.G)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUNIL KUMAR PANWAR
ORAL ORDER

3 11-07-2023 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

The petitioner has prayed for regular bail in a case
registered for the offence punishable under sections 135(1)(b)
of the Customs Act.

As per FIR, the petitioner and co-accused persons
were apprehended on the spot having illegal possession of 2
kg Gold Bullion worth of Rs. 1.14,89,654/-.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. He has
falsely been implicated in this case merely on the basis of
confessional statement of co-accused, which does not got
evidentiary value in the eye of law. The petitioner has no



concern with the alleged recovery nor recovered article belongs to him. He has got no criminal antecedent. Similarly situated co-accused has already been granted bail by a coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 06.06.2023 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 10627 of 2023. It is further submitted that the petitioner is languishing in judicial custody since 10.12.2022.

Learned APP appearing for the state has opposed the prayer of regular bail.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and considering the facts and circumstances of the case as well as custody of the petitioner, this court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. The above named petitioner is directed to be released on bail in connection with Complaint Case No. 377(o) of 2022 arising out of DRI Patna Unit Case No. 22 of 2023 on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Patna.

(Sunil Kumar Panwar, J)

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