

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.36120 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-953 Year-2019 Thana- PURNIA COMPLAINT CASE District-
Purnia

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Abhimanyu Kumar Mandal @ Abhimanyu Mandal Son of Jai Prakash
Mandal Resident of Village- Tikkapatti (Gandhi Nagar Tola), PS- Tikkapatti,
Distt- Purnea.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar.
2. Poonam Kumari Daughter of Girdhari Mandal Resident of Village- Harnaha,
PS- Tikapatti, District- Purnea.

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner	:	Mr. Pawan Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Lakshmi Kant Sharma, APP
For O.P. No.2	:	Mr. Bijendra Kr. Singh, Advocate

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

2 18-07-2023 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 498(A) of the Indian Penal Code and Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

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

4. 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. 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*.

5. In that view of the matter, let the above named petitioner, be released on 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 Complaint Case No.953 of 2019, subject to the conditions laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

6. 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 Centre for the purpose of reconciliation or for one time settlement.

7. Accordingly, this application stands disposed of.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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