

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.43180 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-86 Year-2022 Thana- MUFFASIL District- West Champaran

AWDHESH MAHTO Son of Ramprit Mahto Resident of village - Pandey Tola, P.S.- Mufassil Bettiah, District - West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Urmila Devi Wife of Awadhesh Mahto Resident of village - Pandey Tola, P.S.- Mufassil Bettiah, District - West Champaran, At present D/o Raghunandan Mahto, Resident of village - Bashwaria, P.S.- Lauria, District - West Champaran.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s :	Mr. Anand Kishore Choudhary
For the Opposite Party/s :	Mr. Parmanand Prasad
	Mr. Ajeet Kumar Bhardwaj

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

4 30-10-2023 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 498A of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

3. 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.

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 Bettiah Mufassil P.S. Case No.86 of 2022, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.,

6. Petitioner is ready to pay Rs.3,000.00 (Rupees Three Thousand) per month to opposite party no.2 in the second week of every month. If the petitioner fails to pay the aforesaid amount on two consecutive months, opposite party no.2 shall be at liberty to move before the learned Court below for cancelling the bail bond of the petitioner.

7. It goes without saying that the aforesaid payment



shall be subject to any order being passed in matrimonial maintenance case or any other collateral proceedings.

8. Learned counsel for the opposite party no.2 is directed to make available the bank account details of opposite party no.2 in the learned Court below.

9. 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.

10. Accordingly, this application stands disposed of.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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