

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.42240 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-160 Year-2021 Thana- KHUTAUNA District- Madhubani

RAKESH SAHNI @ RAKESH KUMAR SAHNI Son of Late Ghuran Sahni
Resident of village- Kamalpur, P.S- Khutauna, Dist- Madhubani.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar.
2. Sarita Devi Wife of Rakesh Sahni @ Rakesh Kumar Sahni Resident of village- Kamalpur, P.S- khutauna, Dist- Madhubani, at present Reena Devi, Daughter of Ram Mukhiya, Resident of Village- Chhithi, P.S- Andhramath, Dist- Madhubani.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner	:	Mr. Jitendra Kumar Bharti, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Sanjay Kumar Tiwary, APP
For O.P. No.2	:	Mr. Sudhir Kumar Mishra, Advocate

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

4 02-05-2023 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 498(A)/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

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.

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



drover 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*.

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 learned A.C.J.M.-II, Jhanjharpur, Madhubani in connection with Khutauna P.S. Case No.160 of 2021, subject to the conditions laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Petitioner is ready to pay Rs.4000/- (rupees four thousand) per month to opposite party no.2 in the second week of every month. If 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 cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner.

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.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of O.P. No.2 is directed to furnish the bank account details of O.P. No.2 in the learned court below.

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.

Accordingly, this application stands disposed of.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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