

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.48862 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-395 Year-2019 Thana- KORHA District- Katihar

Nathu Mahaldar @ Nathu, Son Of Late Bhola Mahaldar, R/O Village-
Barateni, P.S.- Udakishunganj, District- Madhepura

... .. Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Sintu Kumar Pandit, Son of Late Ramsevak Pandit, Resident of Village-
Musapur, P.S.- Korha, District- Katihar

... .. Opposite Parties

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Bimal Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Syed Ehteshamuddin, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN PRASAD
ORAL ORDER

6 22-09-2023 By filing this application, the petitioner has renewed his prayer for bail in connection with Korha P.S. Case No. 395 of 2019 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 363, 366, 506/34 of the Indian Penal Code. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent. He is in custody since 23.11.2019.

2. Earlier, the prayer for bail of the petitioner was rejected by this Court vide order dated 25.08.2021 passed in cr. Misc. No. 12841 of 2021 after noticing the allegations against him. This Court had noticed that there was an allegation of rape against the petitioner and the victim was aged between 15-17 years.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner at this stage has informed that five prosecution witnesses have already been examined and now the case is fixed for the evidence of the



Investigating Officer who is only left over prosecution witness.

4. In view of the progress already made in course of trial and now that only one witness has remained to be examined, this Court is not inclined to release the petitioner on bail at this stage.

5. Let the learned trial court complete the trial at the earliest and preferably within a period of four months from the date of receipt/communication of a copy of this order. For this purpose, the records shall be kept on shorter dates and no unnecessary adjournment shall be granted to the parties.

6. This application stands disposed of accordingly.

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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