

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.557 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-178 Year-2021 Thana- SITAMARHI COMPLAINT CASE
District- Sitamarhi

MD. ASHRAF ALI @ ASHRAF SHEIKH @ ASHRAF S/o Md. Taiyab
Sheikh R/o village- Kohbarwa, P.S.- Sonbarsa, Distt- Sitamarhi.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Shamima Khatoon @ Shamina Khatoon D/o Md. Israil, R/o Gobardhanpur,
P.S.- Bathnaha, Distt- Sitamarhi.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ashok Kumar Jha, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Anant Kumar 1, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

2 04-02-2023 Heard learned counsel for the for the petitioner and
learned APP for the State.

The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered
for the offences punishable u/s 498A of the Indian Penal Code.

Petitioner, who is husband of informant, is said to have
tortured the informant over dowry demand and it is alleged that
he solemnized second marriage with another girl.

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. He is still ready to keep her with full



honour and dignity. 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 the learned Court below where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with Complaint Case No.C1 78 of 2021, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

Petitioner is ready to pay Rs.3,000.00 (Rupees Three Thousand) per month to the informant in the second week of every month. If the petitioner fails to pay the aforesaid amount on two consecutive months, informant shall be at liberty to move before the learned Court below for cancelling the 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 Court below is directed to issue notice to informant/O.P. No.2 for furnishing her bank account details. If she fails to furnish the same, the aforesaid amount will be deposited in the learned Court below which will be released in favour of the informant after she furnishes her bank account details.

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.

With the aforesaid observation and direction, this application stands disposed of.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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