

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.22112 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-668 Year-2023 Thana- BIHPUR District- Bhagalpur

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MANOJ PODDAR SON OF LATE AMIR CHAND PODDAR RESIDENT
OF VILLAGE - SIHPUR TOLA MADHURAPUR, P.S. - BHAWANIPUR,
DISTRICT - BHAGALPUR

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. THE STATE OF BIHAR
2. SOUTH BIHAR POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED
THROUGH ITS GENERAL MANAGER (ADMN.), PATNA VIDUT
BHAVAN, BAILEY ROAD, PATNA

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s :	Mr.Sunil Kumar Singh, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s :	Mr.Navin Kumar Pandey, APP
	Mr.Ajay Kumar Gautam, Adv.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

2 04-04-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned counsel
for the O.P. No.2 and learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered
for the offence punishable u/s 135 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

3. Allegedly, the petitioner was found indulged in theft of
electricity by converting the electric wire and thus caused a loss
of Rs.5,15,740/- to the Electricity Department.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that
petitioner is quite innocent and has committed no offence. He
has been falsely implicated in this case due to malafide
intention. It is submitted that the petitioner is ready to file an



appeal before the Appellate Authority against the final assessment order. Petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

5. Learned counsel for the O.P. No.2 has no objection.

6. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, since the petitioner is ready to file an Appeal, let the above named petitioner, be released on **provisional bail** for a period of six weeks from today, 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 Bihpur (Bhawanipur) P.S. Case No.668 of 2023, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. The provisional bail of the petitioner shall be confirmed by the learned court below itself after verifying that the petitioner filed the appeal before the Appellate Authority.

(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

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