

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.36616 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-71 Year-2019 Thana- NAWADAH COMPLAINT CASE
District- Nawada

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Jitendra Kumar S/O Kamta Prasad R/O Village- Punaul, P.S- Narhat, Distt.-
Nawada. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Puja Devi W/O Jitendra Kumar, D/O Ganpat Chauhan R/O Village- Harihar
Bigha, Bhedwa, P.S- Fatehpur, Distt.- Gaya.

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Shankar Kumar
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Shaheen Begum

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN
ORAL ORDER

4 29-01-2024 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. In spite of valid service of notice, none is appeared
on behalf of the opposite party no. 2.

3. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case
registered for the offences punishable under Sections 498A,
406, 379 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3/4 of the
Dowry Prohibition Act.

4. 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.

5. 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**.

6. In that view of the matter, let the above named petitioner, be released on anticipatory 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. 71 of 2019, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.,

7. 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.

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(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)

