

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.41079 of 2023**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-957 Year-2021 Thana- BEGUSARAI COMPLAINT CASE
District- Begusarai

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RITESH KUMAR @ RITESH KUMAR YADAV Son of Doman Yadav
Resident of village - Khoja Naya Tola, P.S. - Kaism Bazar, Distt. - Munger

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Bihar
2. Sangeeta Kumari Wife of Ritesh Kumar @ Ritiesh Kumar Yadav D/o
Indradev Yadav Resident of village - Sushil Nagar, P.S- Muffasil (Singhaul
O.P), Distt. - Begusarai

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ashok Kumar Yadav
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Shyam Bihari Singh

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
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ORAL ORDER

3 10-01-2024 Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to

remove the defect(s), as pointed out by the office, if any, within

a period of three weeks from today.

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned

Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

3. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in

connection with Complaint Case No. 957C/2021 dated

02.08.2021 registered for the offences punishable under

Sections 323, 341, 498A read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code

and Sections 3 & 4 of the D.P. Act.

4. As per the prosecution case, the petitioner and the



co-accused persons are alleged to have tortured the informant mentally and physically due to non-fulfillment of demand of Rs. 15 lacs and a four wheeler as dowry.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. There is general and omnibus allegation against the petitioner who is husband of the complainant. The petitioner neither demanded any dowry nor tortured the complainant. 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."** Learned counsel has further submitted that Section 498A of the IPC is triable by the Magistrate. Learned counsel has further relied on the judgments in the case of **Satendra Kumar Antil Vs. Central Bureau of Investigation and Another (2022) 10 SCR 351** and **Md. Asfak Alam Vs. The State of Jharkhand & Anr passed in Criminal Appeal No(s). 2207 of 2023 arising out of Special Leave Petition (CRL.) No. 3433 of 2023**. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent as stated in para 3 of the bail petition.

6. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner.



7. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, let the above named petitioner, in the event of his arrest/surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be enlarged on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court concerned, Begusarai in connection with Complaint Case No. 957C/2021, subject to conditions as laid down under section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, with further condition:-

(i). The petitioner is directed to remain physically present before the learned Court below on each and every date, failing which on two consecutive dates without reasonable cause, the bail bonds of the petitioner is liable to be cancelled.

8. If so advised, either of the parties will be at liberty to make an application before the Court below for referring the matter to the District Mediation Centre for the purpose of reconciliation or one time settlement.

9. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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