

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.62802 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-25 Year-2022 Thana- N.C.B (GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL)
District- West Champaran

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Dinesh Ram son of Hira Lal Ram Vill- Sugauli Post- Pokhdiya Ps -Pathraiya
Dist- Parsa Nepal

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ashok Kumar Gupta
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Rajendra Singh

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

2 23-09-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P for the State.

2. The petitioner has preferred this application for grant of regular bail in connection with N.C.B. Case No. 25 of 2022 dated 24.12.2022 registered for the offence/s punishable u/ss 8(c), 20(b)(ii) c, 23, 25 and 29 of the N.D.P.S. Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 10.445 kgs. Charas was recovered from the possession of the petitioner and motorcycle driven by the petitioner Dinesh Ram.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner has clean antecedent



as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. The petitioner is in custody since 26.12.2022.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the bail petition of the petitioner. The seized contraband is of commercial quantity i.e. 10 kgs. of Charas. The petitioner had no any valid authorization for keeping the said contraband.

6. As per Section 37 of the N.D.P.S. Act, the two conditions are that the Court should be satisfied with :-

(i) There are reasonable grounds for believing that the accused is not guilty of such offence; and

(ii) He is not likely to commit any offence while on bail.

7. If either of these two conditions is not satisfied, the bar operates and the accused cannot be released on bail. The Court is of the opinion that the parameters of bail available under Section 37 of the Act have not satisfied in the facts of the instant case. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***Narcotics Control Bureau v. Mohit Aggarwal 2022 SCC OnLine SC 891*** has held that “*The length of the period of his custody or the fact that the charge-sheet has been filed and the trial has commenced are by themselves not considerations that*



can be treated as persuasive grounds for granting relief to the respondent under Section 37 of the N.D.P.S. Act.”

8. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the recovery of commercial quantity i.e. 10.445 kgs. of Charas from the conscious possession of the petitioner, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

9. The application stands rejected.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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