

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.3792 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-255 Year-2024 Thana- LALIT NARAYAN UNIVERSITY
District- Darbhanga

Vandana Jha @ Sujata Jha W/o Gautam Jha Resident of Village-Sinuara, P.S-
Bahadurpur, District- Darbhanga. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Amit Kumar Singh, Adv.

For the State : Mr. Harendra Prasad, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA

ORAL ORDER

4 28-07-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP
for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 123, 127(7), 137(2), 308(2) & 3(5) of the B.N.S., 2023.

3. The allegation against the petitioner is that the minor son of the informant, after he was kidnapped by co-accused Vishambhar Choudhary was sold to the petitioner. Subsequently, a ransom of Rs. 10 lacs was being demanded by the petitioner for returning the child.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the entire story of demanding ransom, etc. is not correct and as a matter of fact, the petitioner was requested to raise the child for sometime and it was under such bona fide belief that she had kept the child. However, subsequently, the child was handed over to the informant and pursuant to which the informant also



did not want to pursue the case any further and a compromise was entered into between the parties, by way of a compromise petition dated 17.10.2024 (Annexure-P/2). It is also submitted that there is an inordinate delay in filing of the present case for which no plausible explanation has been tendered and the petitioner is a lady having no criminal antecedent.

5. Learned APP for the State, however, opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail.

6. Taking the rival contentions into consideration and also considering that the matter has now been settled between the parties by way of a compromise petition which will be subject to verification by the concerned Court, let the petitioner, above named, in the event of her arrest or surrender before the Court below within four weeks, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned lower Court where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with L.N.M.U. P.S. Case No. 255 of 2024, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C/ 482 (2) of the BNSS, 2023.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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