

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.8226 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-160 Year-2024 Thana- FALKA District- Katihar

Gulshan Kumar Mandal @ Gulshan Kumar S/O Ajay Kumar Mandal R/O
Village- Morsanda, P.S- Falka, Distt.- Katihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sharda Nand Mishra, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Chandra Sen Prasad Singh, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH
MISHRA**

ORAL ORDER

2 07-02-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP
for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Falka
P.S. Case No. 160 of 2024 instituted for the offences under
Sections 8(c), 20(b), 21(b), 22(b) of the N.D.P.S. Act.

3. Prosecution case, in short, is that total 61.39 grams
smack has been recovered from five accused persons out of
which 09.77 grams of smack has been recovered from the
petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that
the petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case.
Petitioner is in custody since 10.09.2024 and has no criminal
antecedent. There is no allegation of tampering of witnesses
alleged against the petitioner. No incriminating material has



been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The recovered contraband is below commercial quantity, and hence, Section 37 of the N.D.P.S. Act is not applicable in the present case. There is no compliance of Sections 42 and 50 of the N.D.P.S. Act. Other co-accused has been granted bail by this Court *vide* order dated 16-01-2025, passed in Cr. Misc. No. 90135 of 2024.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, recovery of contraband being less than commercial quantity, clean antecedent of the petitioner as also the period of custody undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Let the petitioner be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Falka P.S. Case No. 160 of 2024.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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