

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15300 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-571 Year-2024 Thana- LAHERIMUHALLA District- Nalanda

Shahnawaz Ali @ Pachu, Male, Aged about 32 years, Son of Late Gope @ Jahangir Ali, Resident of Mohalla - Gagan Diwan, P.S.- Laheri, Biharsharif, District- Nalanda

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sanjay Parasmani, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Jagdhar Prasad, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

4 23-07-2025 Heard Mr. Sanjay Parasmani, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. Jagdhar Prasad, learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection with Laheri P.S. Case No. 571 of 2024, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 308 (4)/ 3 (5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, the petitioner along with other accused persons, had allegedly demanded ransom of rupees ten lac from the informant, who was engaged in construction of boundary wall in respect of her *khatiyani* land.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the



petitioner submitted that petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the present case. Petitioner has no concern with the alleged offence, nor there is any ingredient of demand of ransom against the petitioner. General and omnibus allegation has been levelled against the petitioner. Petitioner has clean antecedent. On these grounds, petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail.

5. Learned APP for the State vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail.

6. Considering the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, having perused the allegation made in the FIR, I find that general and omnibus allegation has been levelled against the petitioner and in absence of any money having been transferred by the informant to the petitioner, I am of the opinion that petitioner has, *prima facie*, made out a case to be released on pre-arrest bail.

7. The petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his/her arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four 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 learned C.J.M., Nalanda at



Biharsharif, in connection with Laheri P.S. Case No. 571 of 2024, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

8. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. If any other case is pending against the petitioner as what has been stated in paragraph no. 3, this order will lose its force automatically.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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