

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15157 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-548 Year-2024 Thana- CHANDI District- Nalanda

Ranjeet Kumar, Male, aged about 35 years, S/o Ramanand @ Ramanand Prasad, RO Village- Maheshpur, PS- Chandi, District- Nalanda, Bihar

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Deepak Kumar, Advocate
For the Opposite Party : Mrs. Madhuri Lata, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH SINGH

ORAL ORDER

3 01-07-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Chandi (Wena) P.S. Case No. 548 of 2024 dated 20.08.2024 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 64 of the B.N.S. and Sections 4 and 6 of the POCSO Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, the informant does the work of cooking in the house of others and her husband works in a rice mill. She has three children. On 30.09.2024, her brother-in-law (Nandoshi) Ranjeet Kumar (petitioner) came to her house and stayed that night. Next day on 01.10.2024, she went to Umesh Singh's house for cooking and her husband also went to work. At around 8.30 A.M., when she returned to her



house, she saw that her brother-in-law (Nandoshi) Ranjeet Kumar had opened her daughter's pant and fingering in her private part. After seeing the informant, her brother-in-law (Nandoshi) ran away. The informant informed the wife of the petitioner about the said incident.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the present case. The petitioner is the brother-in-law (Nandoshi) of the informant and the informant has lodged the present false case only due to grab the share of the petitioner's wife. It is further submitted that the petitioner used to sell the water balls (golgappa) on the food cart and after selling the water balls, he used to park his Thela before the house of the informant and for this reason, dispute arose between the parties. There is no eye witness to the alleged offence. The alleged occurrence took place on 01.10.2024 and the F.I.R. has been lodged on 02.10.2024 and for delay in lodging the F.I.R. no explanation has been made on behalf of the prosecution. It is further submitted that the informant has three children and all the children were also present at the place and time of occurrence but no one has raised any alarm. It is further submitted that the doctor has examined the victim and has opined 'No evidence of



recent sexual violence found.” The petitioner has clean antecedent as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. The petitioner is in custody in this case since 03.10.2024.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for bail petition of the petitioner and has further submitted that the petitioner is named in the F.I.R. and he is the uncle (Phupha) of the victim and has misbehaved with the victim. The victim in her statement recorded under Sections 180 and 183 of the B.N.S.S., 2023 has fully supported the allegation as made in the F.I.R.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as heinous nature of accusation against the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner and the same is rejected in connection with Chandi (Wena) P.S. Case No. 548 of 2024, pending in the court of learned A.D.J.-VII-cum-Special Court (POCSO Act), Biharsharif, Nalanda.

7. The application stands rejected.

8. The learned trial court is directed to expedite the trial of the petitioner and conclude the same at the earliest.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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