

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL APPEAL (SJ) No.967 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-223 Year-2024 Thana- NEORA District- Patna

Manoj Verma @ Manoj Kumar S/O Late Ram Anuj Verma @ Ramanuj Prasad Verma Resident Of Village- Sri Chandpur, P.s.- Neora, Dist.- Patna.

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Amarjeet Kumar S/O Anil Paswan Resident Of Village- Sri Chandpur, P.s.- Neora, Dist.- Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Appellant/s : Mr. Suresh Singh, Advocate

For the Respondent/s : Mrs. Usha Kumari 1, Spl. Public Prosecutor

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

5 24-11-2025 Despite filing *Vakalatnama*, none appears on behalf of the respondent no. 2.

2. Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of appellant and Spl. Public Prosecutor.

3. This criminal appeal has been filed against the order dated 31.01.2025 passed by learned Exclusive Special Judge SC/ST Act Civil Court (Sadar) Patna in connection with Neora P.S. Case No. 223 of 2024, registered under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 252 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and Section 3(1)(r)(s) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, whereby the prayer for anticipatory bail of appellant has been rejected.



4. As per F.I.R., this appellant abused respondent no. 2 by caste name and assaulted him. When father of respondent no. 2 intervened, he was also assaulted by the appellant, causing him grievous injury.

5. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that simple altercation took place between the parties over some trivial issue. Insult caused to the informant was not solely on the basis of caste, as such, no case under SC/ST Act is made out against the appellant. Appellant claims clean antecedent.

6. However, learned Spl. Public Prosecutor appearing for the State vehemently opposes the prayer for bail of the appellant.

7. Considering the nature of accusation and injury, I do not find any ground to interfere with the order of the learned court below and as such, the appeal, which has been filed for grant of anticipatory bail, is hereby rejected.

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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