

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.17580 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-404 Year-2024 Thana- SONBERSA District- Sitamarhi

Ramesh Kumar Mahto @ Ramesh Mahato Late Chandeshwar Mahto Village-
Sonbarsa W.No-11, Ps- Sonbarsa Dist- Sitamarhi

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ayush Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Rajiv Nayan, APP

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

ORAL ORDER

2 24-03-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with
Sonbarsa P.S. Case No. 404 of 2024 instituted for the offences
under Section 21(b) of the N.D.P.S. Act.

3. Prosecution case, in short, is that total 72 bottles of
Codedyl-T syrup each containing 100 ml has been recovered in
this case.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the
petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case.
Charge-sheet has been submitted in this case. Petitioner is in
custody since 16.12.2024 and has five 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. Learned counsel further submitted that the total amount of codeine present in the caught syrup is 14.4 grams which is more than small quantity but less than 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.

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, recovered contraband being less than commercial quantity 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 Sonbarsa P.S. Case No. 404 of 2024, subject to the following conditions:

(I) One of the bailors shall be own/close member of the family of the petitioner.

(II) The petitioner shall appear on each and every date fixed at the trial. In case of default in such appearance on two



consecutive dates, the Trial Court will have liberty to cancel the bail bonds of the petitioner.

(III) If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witnesses, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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