

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.22359 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-14 Year-2023 Thana- N.C.B (GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL)
District- Aurangabad

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Ramniranjan Chaturvedi @ Pappu Chaturvedi @ Pappu @ Ram Nirnanjan Chaturvedi Son of Shiv Kumar Chaturvedi R/o village - Madhopur, P.S.- Natwar, District - Rohtas.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

Narcotics Control Bureau, Patna Zonal Unit, Cgo Complex, 4th floor, D and E Block, Karpuri Thakur Sadan, Rajiv Nagar, Patna - 800025.

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Y. C. Verma, Senior Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Arvind Kumar, CGC

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH MISHRA

ORAL ORDER

2 04-04-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with NCB P.S. Case No. 14 of 2023 instituted for the offence under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(c), 25 & 29 of the NDPS Act. Earlier vide order dated 08-05-2024, passed in Cr. Misc. No. 5709 of 2024, regular bail of the petitioner was rejected by this Court.

3. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is ex-army personnel and he has no concern with the recovery of 544 Kg ganja from the truck. He is next



submitted that the only material against the petitioner is confessional statement of co-accused. Learned counsel for the petitioner goes on to submit that there is no likelihood of the trial being concluded in the near future. Petitioner is in custody since 03-11-2023, having no criminal antecedent.

4. Learned counsel for the NCB fervently opposed the prayer for grant of bail by contending that recovered contraband is above the commercial quantity, hence, there is bar under Section 37 of the NDPS Act.

5. After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court does not find any fresh ground to reconsider the matter which is already decided on merit by this Court. Accordingly, the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner is once again *rejected*.

6. The Trial Court is directed to expedite the trial as expeditiously as possible without any undue delay and unnecessary adjournments.

7. The District Magistrate, Aurangabad and the Superintendent of Police, Aurangabad are also directed to take necessary steps to produce the witnesses on the date fixed in the Trial Court so that the trial could be concluded at the earliest.

8. Let this order be communicated to the District



Magistrate, Aurangabad and the Superintendent of Police,
Aurangabad.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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