

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.23568 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-398 Year-2024 Thana- KARAKAT District- Rohtas

Pankaj Kumar Singh Son of Shri Ram Pravesh Singh R/O Vill- Kurur, P.S.-
Godari, District- Rohtas

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Navin Kumar Pandey, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN
ORAL ORDER

2 30-04-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending arrest in connection with Karakat P.S. Case No. 398 of 2024, dated 25.07.2024, lodged under Sections 308(3), 308(4), 352, 351(2), 351(3) of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as “BNS, 2023”).

3. As per the prosecution, FIR has been lodged against the present petitioner alleging that he demanded Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) per month as ransom, failing which he threatened to kidnap the informant.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. It is further submitted that the allegations made in the FIR do not align with the factual matrix of the case. Counsel submits that, in fact, it



was the petitioner who had given a sum of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) to the informant, and when he went to the informant's shop to request repayment, the informant, with an intention to teach him a lesson, falsely implicated him by lodging the present case. Counsel also submits that the petitioner has clean antecedents and, till date, Section 107 of the Cr.P.C. case has not been lodged against him.

5. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that by virtue of the allegations made, evidence is made out which are non bailable and cognizable.

6. Upon specific enquiry by the Court as to whether he had given a loan of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) to the informant and whether any document exists in that regard, the counsel submitted that, at present, no document is available with him, but the same shall be produced as and when required.

7. In the present facts and circumstances, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is hereby **rejected**.

8. However, in the event the petitioner surrenders before the Trial Court within four weeks from today along with documentary proof that he had given a loan of Rs. 20,000/-



(Rupees Twenty Thousand) to the informant, the Trial Court is directed to consider and decide his surrender-cum-bail application on the same day, without being prejudiced by the fact that his anticipatory bail application has been rejected by this Court. The Trial Court shall pass an order on the merits of the case.

(Dr. Anshuman, J.)

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