

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.34665 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-43 Year-2025 Thana- Jhandapur District- Bhagalpur

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Saurav Kumar Choudhary @ Gutus, S/o Arun Choudhary, R/o Village -
Marwa, Ward No. 7, P.S.- Jhandapur, Distt.- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajive Ranjan Singh, Advocate.
For the State : Mr. Shailendra Kumar, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

3 13-08-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Jhandapur P.S. Case No. 43 of 2025 dated 24.3.2025, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 17(b)/22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act, 1985.

3. As per allegation 11.75 grams brown sugar was recovered from co-accused Manoj Kumar Jha and as per his confessional statement, he used to purchase the brown sugar from the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. He further submits that there is no cogent material against the petitioner. Only material against the petitioner is



confessional statement of co-accused which has no evidentiary value. Moreover, the main accused Manoj Kumar Jha has already been enlarged on bail by a co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 18.06.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. 36538 of 2025.

5. He further submits that the petitioner has been languishing in jail since 24.03.2025.

6. It has also been stated in paragraph No. 3 of the bail petition that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

7. It is also stated in paragraph No. 2 of the bail petition that the petitioner has not moved this Court earlier either for anticipatory bail or regular one.

8. However, learned APP for the State vehemently opposes the prayer of the petitioner for bail.

9. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, **this application is allowed**, directing the petitioner, above-named, to be enlarged on bail on his furnishing bail bonds in the sum of Rs. 10,000 /- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned court below concerned in connection with Jhandapur P.S. Case No. 43 of 2025 on the following conditions:

(i) The petitioner will make himself available for



interrogation by a police officer/court as and when required.

(ii) The petitioner will undertake that investigation/trial will not get hampered on account of his absence or non-cooperation. He must be available to the police or the court whenever his presence is required.

(iii) The petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer.

(iv) In case, it is brought to the notice of the court below that the petitioner has any criminal antecedents, learned court below shall cancel the bail bonds of the petitioner after hearing him and getting satisfied that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedents despite his knowledge of the same.

(v) In case, it is brought to the notice of the court below that statement regarding previous bail petition is wrong, learned court below shall cancel the bail bonds of the petitioner.

(Jitendra Kumar, J)

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