

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL APPEAL (SJ) No.3065 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-22 Year-2025 Thana- SC/ST District- Sheikhpura

Dhanraj Bind S/O Piyare Bind @ Late Pyare Bind Resident of Village-
Haidarchak, Police Station- Barbigha, District- Sheikhpura

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Lakshmi Devi W/O Chandra Shekhar Paswan Resident of Village-
Haidarchak, Police Station- Barbigha, District- Sheikhpura

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Appellant/s	:	Mr. Nilendu Kumar Choudhary, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Sadanand Paswan, SPP
For the Informant	:	Mr. Anish Kumar, Advocate

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

ORAL ORDER

4 25-09-2025 Heard learned counsel for the appellant, learned Special Public Prosecutor for the State and learned counsel for the informant.

2. The instant appeal has been filed by the appellant against the order dated 11.07.2025 passed by learned District and Additional Sessions Judge-1st-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Sheikhpura whereby the prayer for bail of the appellant in connection with SC/ST PS Case No. 22 of 2025 under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 76, 303(2), 352, 351 & 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Sections 3(1)(r)(s) & 3(2)(va) of SC/ST Act was rejected.

3. The informant alleged that during a marriage



ceremony on 09.05.2025, accused persons abused her and others by caste name, played vulgar songs, and assaulted her husband and community members. Ranju Devi and her son Rahul sustained serious injuries, while she was also beaten, molested, and her *mangalsutra* snatched. Around 17 accused persons were involved, threatening them not to report the matter.

4. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that the appellant is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the present case. Charge-sheet has been submitted in this case. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that allegedly appellant assaulted Ranju Devi, but her injury report is not on record. There is delay of three days in lodging the FIR. There is case and counter case between the parties. Learned counsel for the appellant further submits that the appellant has not taken the caste name of the informant in public view. Hence, no offence under the provisions of SC/ST Act is made out against him. The appellant has no intention to disgrace the image of the informant in public view. The appellant is in custody since 30-06-2025 and has no criminal antecedent.

5. Learned Special P.P. for the State and the informant have vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the appellant.



6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and the period of custody undergone by the appellant, this Court is inclined to allow this appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is allowed and order dated 11.07.2025 passed by District and Additional Sessions Judge-1st-cum-Special Judge, SC/ST Act, Sheikhpura is hereby set aside.

7. Let the appellant 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 SC/ST PS Case No. 22 of 2025.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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