

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.59000 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-53 Year-2021 Thana- PIPRIYA District- Lakhisarai

Pappu Singh @ Shiv Chandra Singh @ Shivchandra Kumar S/o- Rajendra Singh Resident of Village- Walipur Ps- Pipariya Dist- Lakhisarai

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Subodha Kumar Jha, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s	:	Mr.Parmanand Kumar, APP
For the informant	:	Mr. Pritish Kr. Lal, Advocate

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY
ORAL ORDER

3 21-01-2025 Heard Mr. Subodh Kumar Jha, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Pritish Kumar Lal, learned counsel representing the informant as also Mr. Bharat Bhushan, learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is in judicial custody in connection with S. Tr. No. 171 of 2022, arising out of Pipariya P.S. Case No. 53 of 2021 for the offence punishable under Sections 302, 201, 34 of the Indian Penal Code lodged on 23.05.2021 by the informant, Niranjana Singh.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that earlier while rejecting the prayer for bail on 29.08.2023 in Cr. Misc. No. 35191 of 2023, a direction was given to the learned Trial Court to expedite the trial and conclude within a period of



nine months. However, despite the passage of more than a year, the trial is still on. In that background the report was called for in which it has been informed that one witness has been examined out of eight charge-sheet witnesses.

4. This Court fails to understand that when there is specific direction to conclude the trial within a particular period, failure to do so, the reason must be there in the report and it cannot be sent in a routine manner that one out of eight charge-sheet witnesses has been examined.

5. The Incharge, learned Additional Sessions Judge 2nd, Lakhisarai should take note of the fact and henceforth must go through the order before submitting the report.

6. Mr. P.K. Lal, learned counsel for the informant, on the other hand, has taken this Court to the deposition of PW-1 to show that he has fully supported the prosecution story and the way the lady was killed and her mortal remains were consigned to the flames by none else but by this petitioner because he had infatuation for an another lady. The deceased was pregnant at the time of occurrence.

7. Considering the allegation that has come coupled with the deposition that has been made, this Court is not inclined to extend relief to the petitioner. Accordingly, the



petition for bail stands rejected.

8. Learned Trial Court is directed to take immediate steps and conclude the trial at an earliest preferably within six months as the petitioner being in custody is also entitled to speedy trial.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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