

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.58298 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-496 Year-2021 Thana- SHERGHATI District- Gaya

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Munna Paswan @ Ravindra Paswan @ Ravindra S/O Suresh Paswan
Resident of Village- Jamunaiya Pacharatan, P.S. Dobhi, District- Gaya,

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State Of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Gajendra Kumar Singh

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Ram Naresh Ray

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA SHEKHAR JHA
ORAL ORDER

2 05-12-2025 Heard the parties.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Sherghati P.S. Case No. 496 of 2021 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 392 of IPC.

3. The petitioner is not named in the FIR and is in custody since 26.03.2025.

4. Allegation against the petitioner is to commit robbery along with unknown accused persons and while committing so, looted a pick-up van of the informant along with cash of Rs.42,000/-.

5. It is submitted by learned counsel that the name of petitioner transpired during the course of investigation on



the basis of confessional statement of co-accused, Lakshman Paswan, in furtherance of which, no incriminating material recovered/surfaced as to connect the petitioner *prima facie* with present occurrence of robbery. It is submitted that the petitioner was not put on T.I.P. as yet. It is also pointed out that one of the reason for implication of this petitioner with present occurrence is suspicion arising out of his criminal antecedents, as petitioner said to be involved in nine more criminal cases, where in maximum of cases, his name transpired on the basis of confessional statement as of present case, having otherwise no evidentiary value. It is submitted by learned counsel that bail of petitioner ordinarily cannot be denied merely on the basis of his criminal antecedents, if merit of the case otherwise in favour. In support of his submission, learned counsel has relied upon the legal report of Hon'ble Supreme Court as available through ***Prabhakar Tewari vs. State of U.P. & Ors. [(2020) 11 SCC 648]***. While concluding argument, it is submitted that investigation of this case is already completed, for which, charge-sheet has been submitted and, as such, there is no



chance of tampering with the evidence.

6. Learned APP opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner.

7. In view of aforesaid factual submissions and by taking note of fact as save and except suspicion arising out of confessional statement of co-accused Lakshman Paswan, nothing *prima-facie* recovered incriminating against the petitioner as to connect him with present crime in question, coupled with the fact that investigation of this case is already completed, where petitioner is in custody since 26.03.2025, accordingly, the petitioner, above-named, is directed to be released on bail furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate-1st, Sherghati, Gaya in connection with Sherghati P.S. Case No.496 of 2021, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 480(3) of BNSS.

(Chandra Shekhar Jha, J)

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