

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.77678 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-221 Year-2015 Thana- BACHHWARA District- Begusarai

1. Manibhushan Singh S/o Sri Kaushal Kishore Singh (The then Panchayat Sachiv) R/o village - Madhurapur, Ward no. 02, Naukhutti, P.S - Teghra, District - Begusarai
2. Giridhari Ray S/o Ram Parikshan Ray R/o village - Samsipur Diyara (Dadpur), Ward no. 02, P.S - Teghra, District - Begusarai

Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ram Sumiran Rai
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Md. Mushtaque Alam

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 02-12-2025 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and
learned APP for the State.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners seeks permission to withdraw the anticipatory bail application with respect to petitioner No. 1 (Manibhushan Singh), who was arrested during pendency of the anticipatory bail application.

3. Permission is accorded.

4. Accordingly, the anticipatory bail application is dismissed as withdrawn with respect to petitioner No. 1 (Manibhushan Singh).

5. The petitioner No. 2 apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 409 of the



Indian Penal Code.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner no. 2 has antecedent of one case and the informant alleges that accused persons including the petitioner misappropriated an amount of Rs. 14,46,835/- withdrawn under the 12th and 4th Finance Commission and the Backward Region Grand Fund between the financial years 2007-08 and 2014-15 by not installing 32 sanctioned solar light unit and installing 85 substandard unit at inflated rates.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the instant case by the informant. It is next submitted that from perusal of the allegations as alleged in the FIR, it would manifest that the informant alleges that 32 sanctioned solar light units were not installed rather 85 substandard units were installed at inflated rates. It is further submitted that the scheme was flouted in the years 2007-08 to 2009 and the FIR came to be instituted in 2015, when the life of a solar light is 5 years. It is also submitted that in between these 10 years, the police never made any endeavours to arrest the petitioner nor process under section 82 Cr.P.C was sought and the investigation in the case is still continuing. It is also submitted that petitioner will not abscond



rather will co-operate in the investigation to prove his innocence.

8. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner.

9. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner no. 2 above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned trial court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned trial court where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Bachhwara P.S. Case No. 221 of 2015, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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