

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.78907 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-381 Year-2025 Thana- BATHNAHA District- Sitamarhi

Ravi Bhushan Prasad S/o Sitaram Sah R/o Village- Yogwana, P.S- Bathnaha,
Dist- Sitamarhi

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. N K Agrawal , senior Advocate

Mr. Kumar Rajdeep, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Parmeshwar Mehta, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 17-11-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the
State .

2. Petitioner apprehends arrest in a case registered for
the offence punishable under Section 7 of the Essential
Commodities Act.

3 . As per the prosecution case, the informant alleged
that upon inspection, substantial irregularities were found
between the stock recorded in the POS machine and the actual
physical inventory by the District Agriculture Officer and the
Assistant Agriculture Officer (Chemicals), Sitamarhi. A deficit
of 843 bags of Urea, 6 bags of DAP, 8 bags of NPK, and 17
bags of Ammonium Sulphate was discovered. The physical



verification carried out on 01.08.2025 conclusively corroborated these discrepancies.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is owner of licensed firm dealing in fertilizer since 2008 bearing license No. D-SL 20610052592589. As a matter of fact, E-POS machine work on internet/wifi and due to technical glitch in the e-POS machine , there was discrepancy in the same and only on suspicion , concerned authorities lodged this case against petitioner. It is further submitted that license of the PDS shop of the petitioner has already been cancelled vide order dated 30.08.2025 , Letter No. 505 issued by District Agriculture Officer, Sitamarhi i. e ., Annexure – 3 bail petition . Petitioner claims clean antecedent.

5 . Learned counsel for the State opposes the bail petition of the petitioner.

6. Considering the fact that license of the petitioner has already been cancelled and he claims clean antecedent, in the event of arrest or surrender within eight weeks from today, let the petitioner, as named above, be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/-(ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court of the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class Sitamarhi in



connection with Bathnaha P.S. case No. 381 of 2025 ,
subject to the conditions laid down under section 482 (2) of
BNSS 2023 .

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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