

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.4967 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-446 Year-2021 Thana- BIDUPUR District- Vaishali

Mithilesh Paswan S/O Late Umesh Paswan Resident of village- Daudnagar,
P.S.- Bidupur, District- Vaishali

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Vijay Kumar Sinha, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Brajendra Nath Pandey, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 16-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in a case registered for the
offence punishable under Sections 20(b)(ii)(C), 27(A), 23(c) and
29 of the N.D.P.S. Act.

3. As per prosecution case, 363.45 Kgs of *Ganja* was
recovered from truck of this petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is quite innocent and has committed no offence.
Petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case merely
because he happens to be owner of the truck from which the
contraband was recovered. Petitioner was not present at the spot
and no incriminating article has been recovered from possession



of this petitioner. Moreover, charge-sheet has already been submitted and petitioner, having no criminal antecedents, is in custody since 12.11.2024.

5. On the other hand, learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner and submitted that petitioner is named in the F.I.R. and huge quantity of *Ganja* was recovered from the seized truck of which this petitioner is registered owner.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, recovery of huge quantity of contraband from the truck of which this petitioner is registered owner and gravity of offence, the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner is rejected.

7. However, considering the fact that petitioner is in custody since 12.11.2024, the learned trial court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same, preferably within a period of one year from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order.

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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