

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15850 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-12 Year-2026 Thana- GRIYAK District- Nalanda

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Kumari Rani W/o Ranjeet Kumar R/o Village - Giriyak, P.S - Giriyak, District
- Nalanda

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Raju Kumar, Advocate
		Mr. Shubham Samrat, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s :		Mr. Parmeshwar Mehta, A.P.P

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN
ORAL ORDER

2 25-03-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending arrest in connection with Giriyak P.S. Case No. 12 of 2026 lodged on 07.01.2026, for the offence punishable under Section 7 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955.

3. As per the prosecution, FIR has been lodged against the sole petitioner. It has been found by the authorities that during inspection, there was shortage of stock of wheat and it is due to this reason, allegation of black marketing has been made against the petitioner.



4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. Counsel submits that the basis of inspection is the report in the POS machine, but he submits that there was defective POS machine provided and it is due to this reason, the less stock was found in the physical verification. Counsel further submits that the petitioner is a lady aged about 61 years, having clean antecedent. Counsel submits that no complaint was filed against the petitioner while she was running the work relating to PDS shop.

5. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner but submits that from the petition, it transpires that the petitioner is a lady aged about 61 years and the defence of defective POS machine has been alleged in the FIR.

6. As such, in the present facts and circumstances of this case, let the above named petitioner be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of arrest or surrender before the Trial Court within a period of 4 weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) as mentioned in Section 2(1)(d) of the B.N.S.S., 2023 to the satisfaction of Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Nalanda



(Biharsharif), in connection with Giriyak P.S. Case No. 12 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down U/s 482(2) of the B.N.S.S., 2023.

7. The Trial Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent(s) of the petitioner, and in case, it is found at any stage that the petitioner has concealed the fact about her criminal antecedent(s), the Trial Court shall take steps for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of the bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for the purpose of or in the name of verification.

(Dr. Anshuman, J)

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