

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.17687 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-240 Year-2025 Thana- SIDHWALIYA District- Gopalganj

Hasnain Ray @ Afroj S/O Late Ahmad Ray Resident of village- Chhapiya
Bujurg, PS- Hussainganj, Dist.- Siwan.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Gajendra Kumar Singh

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Bharat Bhushan

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK KUMAR PANDEY
ORAL ORDER

2 18-03-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned APP
for the State and learned counsel for the informant.

2. The instant application for anticipatory bail has been filed by the petitioner apprehending his arrest in connection with A.B.P. No. 15 of 2026 arising out of Sidhwaliya P.S. Case no. 240 of 2025 instituted for the offence under Section 303(2) of the B.N.S., 2023

3. The case of the prosecution in short is that certain miscreants have committed theft of gas pipeline. Informant is the contractor and he is developing the gas pipeline network.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner has submitted that petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. He has falsely been implicated in this case. He also submits that the FIR was lodged against unknown miscreants.



During the course of investigation, one Ranjan Kumar has named this petitioner. He also submits that the said pipe was recovered from the possession of this petitioner and regarding that, another case was filed, i.e., Hussainganj P.S. Case No. 444 of 2025. In that case, this petitioner was granted anticipatory bail by the learned coordinate bench of this court vide Cr. Misc. No. 7597 of 2026. He also submits that the alleged recovery has been made from a scrap shop, as he deals with iron pipes, etc. Petitioner was not having any knowledge that the pipe in question was stolen property and as a matter of fact, he has been running the said shop for the last ten years.

5. In contra, learned APP appearing for the State and learned counsel for the informant have opposed the prayer of bail of the petitioner and submits that the petitioner is having criminal antecedent of two cases.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and in the facts and circumstances of the case as stated above, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. The petitioner is directed to surrender in the Court below within a period of four weeks from today and in the event of his arrest or surrender in connection with Sidhwaliya P.S. Case no. 240 of 2025, he will be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/-



(Rupees ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned A.C.J.M.-V, Gopalganj subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Ashok Kumar Pandey, J)

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