

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.16321 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-415 Year-2024 Thana- BARH District- Patna

Sudhir Kumar, S/o Ramdeo Prasad, Resident of Village - 09 Bazitpur
(Bhawani Chowk), P.O - Barh, P.S - Barh, District - Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Dr. Kumar Uday Pratap, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

3 30-04-2026 Heard Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, learned counsel appearing
on behalf of the petitioner and Dr. Kumar Uday Pratap, learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection
with Barh P.S. Case No. 415 of 2024, registered for the offence
punishable under Sections 461, 379 and 414 of the Indian Penal
Code.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, on
15/06/2024, one Himanshu Raj, Assistant Manager of C.M.R.
Nalanda, reported that the shutter of a godown was found open
and several rice bags were missing. During investigation, police
seized 14 bags of rice along with vehicles, which were
identified as belonging to Patel Agro Industries Pvt. Ltd. One
co-accused, Rajesh Kumar, was arrested and disclosed that the



theft was committed at the instance of Sudhir Kumar, a rice shop owner from Barh.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that petitioner is innocent and he has falsely been implicated in the present case. Name of the petitioner has surfaced on the basis of confessional statement made by co-accused Rajesh Kumar, from whose possession stolen articles were recovered. Petitioner has clean antecedent. On these grounds, petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail.

5. Learned APP for the State vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail.

6. Considering the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, the fact that the name of the petitioner has surfaced on the basis of confessional statement made by co-accused Rajesh Kumar, from whose possession stolen articles were recovered. Petitioner has clean antecedent. I am of the opinion that petitioner has, *prima facie*, made out a case to be released on pre-arrest bail.

7. The petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his/her arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/-



(Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned District Court where the case is pending, in connection with Barh P.S. Case No. 415 of 2024, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

8. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. If any other case is pending against the petitioner as what has been stated in paragraph no. 3, this order will lose its force automatically.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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