

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.18985 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-213 Year-2025 Thana- BODHGAYA District- Gaya

1. Shanti Devi @ Shiviti Devi @ Shiriti Devi W/O Sukhdev Manjhi R/O village- Tekuna, P.S- Bodhgaya, District- Gaya
2. Santosh Manjhi S/O late Ramdahin Manjhi R/O village- Tekuna, P.S- Bodhgaya, District- Gaya

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Vinod Kumar, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Arun Kumar Singh, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 08-04-2026 Heard Mr. Vinod Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners and Mr. Arun Kumar Singh, learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioners seek pre-arrest bail in connection with Bodhgaya P.S. Case No. 213/25 registered for the offence(s) punishable under Sections 191(1), 190, 126(2), 115(2), 118(1) and 109 of the BNS.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, the accused persons named therein including the petitioner had assaulted the informant and his family members, with an intention to kill, causing injury to the son of the informant.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the



petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and have falsely been implicated in the present case. Petitioners and informant are *Gotia*. There is case and counter case between the parties and due to land dispute, an altercation took place in which, both the sides sustained injuries and the petitioners in the self-defence, may have caused some injury on the person of the informant's son without intention. Petitioners have clean antecedents.

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

6. Having heard the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, having perused the allegation made in the FIR and the fact that there is case and counter case between the parties and due to land dispute, an altercation took place in which, both the sides sustained injuries and the petitioners in the self-defence, may have caused some injury on the person of the informant's son without intention. I am of the opinion that petitioners, who are having clean antecedents, have, *prima facie*, made out a case to be released on pre-arrest bail.

7. The petitioners, above named, are directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of their 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) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned C.J.M., Gaya / Concerned Court in connection with Bodhgaya P.S. Case No. 213/25, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

8. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioners and if it is found that the petitioners are involved in some other cases, as what has been stated in paragraph no.3 of the bail application, this order will automatically lose its force.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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