

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.18716 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-325 Year-2025 Thana- BARAHAT District- Banka

Vijay Murmu S/O Betka Murmu R/O Village- Rotavaran, P.S- Bounsi,
District- Banka.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. X W/O Y R/O Village- Hijrar, P.S- Barahat, Distt.- Banka.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s :	Mr. Brij Nandan Prasad, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s :	Mr. Ram Sumiran Rai, APP
	Mr. Kumar Dharmendra Narayan, Advocate

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PARTHA SARTHY
ORAL ORDER

3 07-05-2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. The petitioner has preferred this application for grant of regular bail in connection with Barahat P.S. Case no.325 of 2025 registered under sections 96 and 3(5) of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and sections 8 and 12 of the POCSO Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, the informant states that her 16 year old daughter disappeared and was not to be found. It subsequently transpired that the petitioner and others had a hand in her disappearance.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case. The daughter of the informant returned and her statement was recorded under



section 183 of the B.N.S.S wherein she has not supported the prosecution case. The petitioner is in custody since 12.1.2026 and has no criminal antecedent.

5. The application for bail is opposed by learned A.P.P for the State, however it is submitted that the daughter of the informant has not supported the prosecution case in her statement under section 183 of the B.N.S.S.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and taking into consideration the allegations against the petitioner in the FIR, the contents of the statement of the daughter of the informant recorded under section 183 of the B.N.S.S, the petitioner having remained in custody since 12.1.2026 and not having any criminal antecedent, the petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail in connection with Barahat P.S. Case no.325 of 2025 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 Additional Sessions Judge-VI-cum-Special Judge, POCSO, Banka.

(Partha Sarthy, J)

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