

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.27585 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-40 Year-2024 Thana- KISHANGANJ District- Kishanganj

Arun Kumar Mahto S/o- Prem Lal Mahto R/v- Kala Patti, Barhi, Madhubani,
Kalapatti Po- Kalapatti Dist- Madhubani

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rishi Raj, Advocate
Ms. Meenakshi Priya, Advocate
Mr. Abhishek Singh Rathaur, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Ajay Mishra, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PARTHA SARTHY

ORAL ORDER

- 2 29-04-2026 1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
2. The petitioner has preferred this application for grant of anticipatory bail apprehending his arrest in connection with Kishanganj P.S. Case no. 40 of 2024 registered under sections 419, 420, 467, 468, 471 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code and section 10 of the Bihar Conduct of Examination Act, 1981.
3. As per the prosecution case, the informant states that on the co-accused Satish Kumar Sahu coming with his



appointment letter for joining as a teacher, on verification of the documents, it transpired that there was mismatch in his signature and photograph. On further enquiry, he confessed that he had not appeared in the examination instead on his paying a sum of Rs.10,000/-, the petitioner had appeared in his place.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that from the contents of the FIR itself, it would transpire that the only material against him is the statement of a co-accused made before police. Neither the petitioner was caught appearing in the examination nor does he have any concern with the co-accused. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent and undertakes to cooperate in the investigation/trial.

5. The application for anticipatory bail is opposed by learned A.P.P. for the State.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and taking into consideration the allegation against the petitioner in the F.I.R. and the petitioner not having any criminal antecedent, it is directed that the petitioner above named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks, be released on anticipatory bail in connection with Kishanganj P.S. Case no. 40 of 2024 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 Sessions Judge, Kishanganj.

(Partha Sarthy, J)

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