

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.27141 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-534 Year-2025 Thana- GORAUL District- Vaishali

Shiv Lal Ram S/O Ram Lkhan Ram @ Late Ram Lakhan Ram R/O Village -
Sadhopur Jiwan, P.S- Goraul, Dist- Vaishali

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Patna

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Mritunjay Kumar

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Parmeshwar Mehta

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 23-04-2026 Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks regular bail in connection with
Goraul P.S. Case No. 534 of 2025 registered for the offence
under Section(s) 316(5) and 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya
Sanhita, 2023 and Section 7 of the EC Act.

3. The allegation against the petitioner is that he is the
owner of a Fair Price Shop and at the time of inspection, there
was a shortage of food grains (60.53 quintals of wheat and
110.07 quintals of rice) from the stock shown in the machine,
and thereby the petitioner is alleged to have committed black
marketing of essential commodities.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and has not committed any offence.



Petitioner is in custody since 30.01.2026 and has no criminal antecedent. It is further submitted that the petitioner is about 70 years of age.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for bail.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the nature of allegation and the age of the petitioner, this application for regular bail is allowed.

7. Accordingly, let the petitioner, above named, be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court below where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with Goraul P.S. Case No. 534 of 2025 subject to conditions that:-

(i). The petitioner shall appear in the trial regularly either personally or through his lawyer and shall cooperate in the trial and non-cooperation in the trial shall result in cancellation of the bail bond of the petitioner.

8. It is made clear that any observation made herein is *prima facie* in nature and limited solely for the purpose of adjudication of the present bail application. Such observations shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case



and shall not influence the trial or any other proceedings in any manner.

(Sandeep Kumar, J)

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