IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.28982 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-327 Year-2024 Thana- PHULPARAS District- Madhubani

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Vishal Anand, S/O Ram Sakal Paswan, Resident of Village- Raghepura, Police Station- Bahadurpura, District- Darbhanga

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Ms.Mili Kumari, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Nand Kumar, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR JHA

ORAL ORDER

2 06-05-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP for the State.

2. In the present case, the petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Phulparas P.S. Case No. 327 of 2024, registered for the alleged offence under Sections 420, 409, 120(B)/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

3. As per prosecution case, in one of the branches of North Bihar Gramin Bank, tampering with the documents of KCC account holders, their credit limits have been increased and, in this manner, defalcation of an amount of Rs.66,69,010.80/- has been made in connection with 31 such accounts. The allegation against the petitioner is that he was the Branch Manager during the relevant period and he, in connivance with the account holders, committed this defalcation

and in making changes in the details of the accounts, the ID of this petitioner and two other co-accused persons have been used.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. No specific role has been attributed to the petitioner and altogether 12 persons have been made accused in this case. Not a single customer/borrower has come before the branch to make any allegation against the petitioner. The allegation of conspiracy against the petitioner and other co-accused persons is based on documents and there are chances of miscalculation. Moreover, during the period in which the petitioner had been working with the branch, Rs.29,05,000/- was debited in the accounts of borrowers out of which Rs.16,89,573/- has already been credited in the account of borrowers. The petitioner is having clean antecedents.

5. Learned APP vehemently opposes the submission made on behalf of the petitioner. The learned APP submits that there is direct and specific allegation against the petitioner, who has also been removed from his post when the fraud came to the notice of the authorities.

6. Having regard to the facts and circumstances and submissions made on behalf of the parties and considering the

direct and specific nature of allegation against the petitioner for committing forgery in the bank documents and indulging in defalcation of money, I do not find it is a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, his prayer for grant of anticipatory bail is rejected.

(Arun Kumar Jha, J)

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