

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.30778 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-92 Year-2023 Thana- MUZAFFARPUR SADAR District-  
Muzaffarpur

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Jawahar Lal Shah @ Jawahar Lal @ Jawahar Sah S/o Late Munga Lal Shah  
@ Mungalal Sah presently residing of Kolabari, Opposite Bharat Gas  
Godown, Debidanga Bazar Champasari, P.S. - Pradhan Nagar, District -  
Darjeeling, West Bengal, Permanent resident of Bakhra Muzaffarpur, P.S. -  
Saraiya, District - Muzaffarpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Saket Tiwary, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Satyendra Prasad, APP

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRAVEEN KUMAR**  
**ORAL ORDER**

3      15-07-2026                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner has preferred this application for  
grant of regular bail in connection with Muzaffarpur Sadar P.S.  
Case No. 92 of 2023 dated 24.01.2023 registered for the  
offences punishable under Sections 406, 420, 427, 468, 471,  
120(B) of I.P.C.

3. As per the allegation, the petitioner and others  
happen to be the decision makers of Mahua Project and  
Infrastructure Development Company Limited and other  
committees of Mahua groups who used to collect money from  
general public in the name of doubling it in fixed period and



also offered attractive interests on daily, monthly and fixed deposits since 2013 and have also secured subsidies from different banks for different schemes. But it is alleged that not only they have misappropriated the loan amount but also swindled crores of rupees of general public and unemployed youths by not paying their maturity amount and they have also decamped with the money after locking their offices.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. It has further been submitted that petitioner initially joined the said company as an employee and was not the founder of the said co-operative society, while the said group appointed the petitioner as the Chief Executive Officer of the co-operative. It has further been submitted that there is a limited role of the petitioner in the said company. It has further been submitted that altogether 86 witnesses are there, who have been cited in the complaint, which was subsequently sent to the police for registration of the F.I.R. under the provisions of 156(3) Cr.P.C., and hence, trial is likely to be delayed for an inordinate period. It has further been submitted that charge-sheet has been submitted in this case and cognizance came to be taken. It has further been submitted that the offence is triable by the Court of learned Magistrate and



altogether in eight cases, the petitioner has been made accused with almost similar allegations. It has further been submitted that the assets of the petitioner has been seized by the Enforcement Directorate and all the documents are in the possession of the Enforcement Directorate. It has further been submitted that the petitioner is ready to give an undertaking not to delay the trial and not to influence the witnesses. It has further been submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 27.03.2025 and there is no allegation of tampering against the petitioner. It has further been submitted that the trial is not likely to conclude in the near future.

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

6. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the records.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case as well as the period of custody, the petitioner above-named is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned J.M.F.C., (East) Muzaffarpur, in connection with Muzaffarpur Sadar P.S. Case No. 92 of 2023, with following conditions:-



(i) It is directed that the petitioner shall regularly attend the Trial Court when the trial starts and will not attempt to influence the witnesses or tamper with the evidence.

(ii) It is further directed that if substantive material is brought on record indicating such act, the prosecution would be at liberty to move appropriate application for cancellation of his bail bond.

8. The application stands allowed.

**(Praveen Kumar, J)**

Abdus/-

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