IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL APPEAL (SJ) No.2362 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC010618352026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-543 Year-2024 Thana- RAJAOLI District- Nawada

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Uma Yadav @ Umashankar Yadav Son of Late Charitra Yadav Resident of village Gagan Buzurg, Khurd, P.S.- Rajauli, District - Nawada

... ... Appellant/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Binod Choudhary Son of Arjun Choudhary Resident of Village Mrhena, P.S.- Rajauli, District - Nawada

... ... Respondent/s

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Appearance :
For the Appellant/s : Mr.Devendra Prasad Singh, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mrs.Asha Kumari, Spl.P.P.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA

ORAL ORDER

4 20-11-2026 Heard Mr.Devendra Prasad Singh, learned counsel for the appellant and Mrs.Asha Kumari, learned Spl.P.P. for the State.

2. This is an appeal under Section 14(A)(ii) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the "SC/ST Act") against the refusal of prayer for regular bail vide order dated 20.05.2026 passed by the learned Exclusive Special Court, SC/ST (POA) Act, Nawada in Special SC/ST No. 293 of 2024 (B.P.No. 1022 of 2026) arising out of Rajauli P.S. Case No.543 of 2024, F.I.R. dated 17.11.2024 registered under

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Sections 191(2),191(3),190, 103(1) of BNS, 2023 and Section 3(2)(v) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

3. Earlier the prayer for bail of the appellant was rejected vide order dated 04.09.2025 passed in Cr.Appeal (SJ) No. 1507 of 2025. Thereafter, the appellant has again moved for grant of bail in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 1386 of 2026 but the same was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 07.05.2026.

4. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that the appellant is in custody since 18.11.2024 and the trial is not in progress.

5. Vide order dated 29.08.2026 a report was called for with regard to the present stage of the trial. Report of the learned Trial Court dated 03.09.2026 reveals that out of eight chargesheet witnesses, five witnesses have been examined which suggests that the trial is in progress.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts, nature of allegation against the appellant as alleged in the FIR as well as the report of the learned Trial Court, I am not inclined to enlarge the appellant on bail in connection with Special SC/ST No. 293 of 2024 arising out of Rajauli P.S. Case No.543 of 2024, pending in the court of learned Exclusive Special Court, SC/ST (POA)

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Act, Nawada.

7. Prayer is refused.

8. However, the learned Trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same at the earliest.

9. Accordingly, the impugned order is affirmed and this appeal stands dismissed.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)

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