

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.47560 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-84 Year-2026 Thana- NARPATGANJ District- Araria

Smt. Mila Devi @ Mila Kumari (F), aged about 43 years, Daughter of Sita Ram Yadav, Employed Panchayat Teacher, Primary School Ramjtola, Simrahi, Block- Narpatganj South, District- Araria, permanent Resident of Village- Mirdaul Tola, Simrahi, North Part, P.O.- Mirdaul, P.S.- Narpatganj, District- Araria

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Vigilance Investivatiion Bureau, Muzaffarpur, District- Muzaffarpur Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Vijay Kumar, Advocate
For the Vigilance	:	Mr. Arvind Kumar, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s	:	Mr. Awadhesh Kumar Singh, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 29-07-2026 Heard Mr. Vijay Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner; Mr. Arvind Kumar, learned counsel for the Vigilance Investigation Bureau and Mr. Awadhesh Kumar Singh, learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection with Narpatganj P.S. Case No. 84 of 2026 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 419, 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code.

3. As per the allegation made in the F.I.R., the petitioner had allegedly got appointment on the post of Panchayat teacher on the basis of forged educational certificate.



4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is not involved in commission of the offence in any manner. He further submitted that the petitioner was appointed in the year 2007 and she has been terminated from service on 06.04.2023. He further submitted that other similarly situated teachers, against whom also on the basis of vigilance enquiry, FIR was registered, have been released on pre-arrest bail. However, he admits that no recovery of salary has been made till date.

5. Mr. Arvind Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Vigilance Investigation Bureau submitted that the petitioner has been involved in crime and she doesn't deserve to be released on pre-arrest bail.

6. Learned APP for the State also vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail.

7. Having heard the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, having perused the FIR, I find that teachers, who have been appointed on the basis of forged certificate, have been released on pre-arrest bail after their termination/resignation. The petitioner also being appointed on the basis of forged certificate and she has been dismissed from service *vide* office order contained in Memo No. 09/Narpatganj



dated 06.04.2023, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his/her arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks from today, 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 District Court where the case is pending, in connection with Narpatganj P.S. Case No. 84 of 2026, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

8. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. If any other case is pending against the petitioner as what has been stated in paragraph no. 3, this order will lose its force automatically.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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