

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.56226 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-204 Year-2024 Thana- NATHNAGAR District- Bhagalpur

Pawan Mandal @ Pawan Kumar S/o Kare Mandal R/o Village- Satsang Nagar
Mirzapur, P.S.- Nathnagar, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Bihar
2. Kamleshwari Mandal S/o Late Jagdish Mandal Resident of Satsang Nagar
Mirzapur, P.S.- Nathnagar, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s :	Mr. Praveen Kumar Agrawal, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s :	Mr. Shailendra Kumar, APP
For the informant :	Renu Kumari, Adv. Madhu Prasun, Adv.

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NAWNEET KUMAR
PANDEY**

ORAL ORDER

3 21-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in a case registered for the
offence punishable under Section-354 of the Indian Penal Code
and Section-8 of POCSO Act.

3. It is alleged that in course of playing outside the
house near mango tree, the petitioner enticing the informant's
minor daughter took her away and started to tease her.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted
that the petitioner is innocent and due to village politics, he has
falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner has remained
in custody for seven months.



5. On the other hand, learned counsel for the informant has submitted that the petitioner has misbehaved with minor girl of 11 years to which, the victim has supported the allegation in her statement recorded under Sections-164 Cr.P.C. and 161 of the Cr.P.C.

6. The petitioner is in custody for about seven months. There is case and counter case between the parties.

7. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, let the petitioner named above, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Judge, POCSO, Bhagalpur in connection with Nathnagar P.S. Case No. 204 of 2024 vide POCSO Case No. 89 of 2024 with condition that the petitioner shall cooperate with the trial of the case and make himself available as and when required by the court.

8. After release, if the petitioner tampers with the evidence, the learned court below may take appropriate steps.

(Nawneet Kumar Pandey, J)

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