IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.74058 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC010959612026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-143 Year-2026 Thana- GOPALPUR District- Gopalganj

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Arman Ali @ Chaudhary Son of Sanjay Dewan @ Nausad Dewan Resident of Village- Ahirauli Dubauli Tola, Takiya, P.S.- Gopalpur, District- Gopalganj, Bihar

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Thakur Brajesh Singh, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Yogendra Kumar, A.P.P.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA

ORAL ORDER

2 28-10-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 317(5), 111 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and Sections 11(1)(Gh), 11(1)(Anga), 11(1)(Ch) and 11(1)(T) of the Animal Cruelty Act.

3. The allegation in the F.I.R. is that the petitioner along with other co-accused persons loaded the cattle in a pickup van for the purpose of smuggling.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it would be evident from the First Information Report itself that several cattle were found in a pickup vehicle and four to five

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accused persons had escaped from the place of occurrence and the name of the petitioner has been disclosed by the local *chowkidar*. It has been submitted that the alleged pickup vehicle does not belong to the petitioner and no recovery has been made from his conscious possession. Further, there is no independent witness to search and seizure and other similarly situated co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail by orders passed by the Coordinate Benches of this Court, annexed as Annexure P/2 Series.

5. Learned APP for the State opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail on the basis of allegations made in the First Information Report.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that the implication of the petitioner is based upon suspicious identification, coupled with the fact that other similarly situated co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail, let the above named petitioner, be released on bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below 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 Court below

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where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with Gopalpur P.S. Case No. 143 of 2026, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, subject to the following conditions:-

(i) One of the bailors shall be a family member/close relative.

(ii) The petitioner shall co-operate with the investigation/trial.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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