IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.69079 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC010992532026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-75 Year-2026 Thana- Jhandapur District- Bhagalpur

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Banti Kumar Thakur, aged about 24 years, S/o Karu Thakur Resident of Village - Darmahi Panchayat, Pirmokam, Ward No. 5, Police Station - Falka, District - Katihar.

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Amrendra Kumar, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Ms.Renu Kumari, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH

ORAL ORDER

3 30-10-2026 Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner and learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection with Jhandapur P.S. Case No. 75/2026 registered for the offence(s) punishable under Sections 137(2),87 of the BNS.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, the petitioner allegedly had kidnapped the minor daughter of the informant with an intention to marry with her.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that petitioner is innocent. The petitioner and daughter of the informant were a very good friend and the petitioner has solemnized marriage with daughter of the

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informant, who is aged about 16 years. In her statement recorded under Section 183 BNSS, the surviovr has given specific information that she has solemnized marriage with the petitioner and she wants to live with him but considering her age, she has stated that after attaining majority, she will live along with the petitioner. Petitioner has clean antecedent. On these grounds, the petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail

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

6. Having heard the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, having perused the allegation made in the FIR and the fact that the petitioner and survivor have solemnized marriage and the survivor in her statement recorded under Section 183 BNSS, has given specific information that she has solemnized marriage with the petitioner but considering her age, she has stated that after attaining majority, she will live along with the petitioner, I am of the opinion that petitioner has, prima facie, made out a case to be released on pre-arrest bail.

7. The petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks

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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 learned ACJM-III, Naugachia, Bhagalpur / Concerned Court in connection with Jhandapur P.S. Case No. 75/2026, subject to the conditions 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 and if it is found that the petitioner is involved in some other cases, as what has been stated in paragraph no.3 of the bail application, this order will automatically lose its force.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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