

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.71719 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-131 Year-2025 Thana- DEV District- Aurangabad

Manish Kumar S/O Sohar Paswan R/O Village- Tetariya, P.S.- Deo, District-
Aurangabad, Bihar

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Mr. Ajay Paswan S/O Nagdeo Paswan R/O Village- Tetariya, P.S.- Deo,
District- Aurangabad, Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr.Ajit Ranjan Kumar, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s	:	Mr.Brajendra Nath Pandey, APP
For the O.P. No.2	:	Ms. Leelawati Kumari, Adv.

CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA
ORAL ORDER

4 10-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. A prayer for bail has been made on behalf of the
petitioner in connection with Dev P.S. Case no.131 of 2025
registered under section 96 of B.N.S, 2023.

3. The allegations in the F.I.R is that informant's
daughter was kidnapped by the petitioner for the purpose of
marriage.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case on account of
some previous dispute and even upon going through the
statement of the victim girl recorded under Section 183 of



B.N.S.S discloses that the petitioner and the victim were in a love relationship. The victim voluntarily left her parental home out of her own free will with the petitioner from where they travelled from Banaras to Nagpur. It is further submitted that there is no allegation of any sexual assault at the hands of the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody since 31.05.2025 and has no criminal antecedent. He undertakes to cooperate with the investigation/trial. Charge-sheet has been submitted in the case.

5. The application for bail is opposed by learned A.P.P. for the State and learned counsel for the informant on the ground that informant's minor daughter has eloped with the petitioner on the pretext of marriage.

6. Taking into consideration the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that victim has herself disclosed her age as 16 years and stated about voluntarily going along with the petitioner for the purpose of roaming around and her statement does not disclose any sexual assault at the hands of the petitioner and he is in custody since 31.05.2025, the petitioner, who is a young boy having no criminal antecedent, is directed to be enlarged on bail in connection with Dev P.S. Case no.131 of 2025 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 concerned where the case is pending/successor Court.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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