IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.77269 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC011111412026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-188 Year-2022 Thana- GARDANIBAG District- Patna

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Sonu Kumar @ Sonu Kumar Pal, Son of Baban Pal, Resident of Village- Burhawal, Police Station- Karakat, District - Rohtas at Sasaram

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Bindhyachal Singh, Sr. Advocate
Mr. Vipin Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Choubey Jawahar, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR

ORAL ORDER

2 05-11-2026 Heard Mr. Bindhyachal Singh, learned Senior Advocate for the petitioner and the learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Gardanibagh P.S. Case No. 188 of 2022 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 419, 420, 467, 468 and 120(B) of the Indian Penal Code.

3. The prosecution alleges that the petitioner has participated in the selection process in relation to the post of Constable conducted under the Central Selection Board in place of his brother, who admitted the complicity of the petitioner, leading to the institution of the F.I.R.

4. Learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that so far as co-accused Suchit Kumar,

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who is said to be the beneficiary of the appointment, is concerned, he has been extended the privilege of regular bail by the court below itself, since he was apprehended at the time of verification of fingerprint and photo. It is submitted that so far as the present petitioner is concerned, he has nothing to do with the present occurrence and, in fact, he has been residing and working as a labourer in the State of Gujarat since long time for his livelihood and has never appeared in any competitive examination for a Government job or private job in his lifetime. Save and except the disclosure made by co-accused Suchit Kumar, there is nothing on record, which suggests the complicity of the petitioner in the crime. The fair antecedent of the petitioner also lends credence and supports his innocence. Moreover, the petitioner undertakes that he will fully cooperate in the proceeding of the court.

5. On the other hand, learned APP for the State vehemently opposes the bail application and submits that during the verification of fingerprint and photo of the candidate, the irregularity has been found and the apprehended person/applicant disclosed the name of the petitioner that it is he, who had participated in the selection process (physical test).

6. Considering the rival submissions advanced by the

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learned Senior Advocate/Advocate for the respective parties and taking note of the fact that the entire case is based on documentary/scientific examination, and the petitioner undertakes that he will fully cooperate in the proceeding of the court, besides he is carrying fair antecedent, and the beneficiary of the recruitment process has already been extended the privilege of regular bail by the court below, let the petitioner, named above, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the court below within four weeks from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order, be released on bail upon furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Patna in connection with Gardanibagh P.S. Case No. 188 of 2022, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 with the further condition that one of the bailors shall be the own/close relative of the petitioner.

(Harish Kumar, J)

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