

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.522 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-159 Year-2024 Thana- PRANPUR District- Katihar

Manoj Kumar Mandal @ Manoj Kumar S/o Ram Vilash Mandal Resident of
Halda Khalee Tola Bakharpur, P.S.- Pirpanti, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Bhola Prasad, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Binod Kumar, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY

ORAL ORDER

2 04-02-2026 Heard Mr. Bhola Prasad, learned counsel for the
petitioner and the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Pranpur P.S. Case No. 159 of 2024 for the offence under sections 69, 318(4), 316(2), 87, 127(2) and 351(2) of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita lodged on 05.10.2024 by the informant, Priti Kumari.

3. As per the prosecution story, the informant alleged that on the pretext of marriage, certain amount was/were taken and later, she was taken to Samastipur and wanted to take her to Delhi. As the FIR was lodged, was returned to Manihari and later, the photos were made viral. A *panchayati* also took place but the criminal activity continued which followed the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that due to some misunderstanding, the case was lodged. The girl is twenty



years old and subsequently, they have arrived at a compromise and a petition has also been filed which is presently pending. The last submission is that the petitioner do not have any criminal antecedent.

5. Learned APP opposes the prayer submitting that the lady has supported her version in the FIR in her subsequent statement.

6. Taking into account the submissions of the parties as also that the parties have arrived at a compromise, the girl is major, the petitioner has no criminal antecedent and an undertaking has been given that he shall be diligently appearing in trial, in that background, this Court is inclined to extend him the privilege of anticipatory bail with conditions.

7. Let the petitioner be released on bail in the event of arrest or surrender within a period of four weeks from the receipt of this order, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of learned J.M. 1st Class, Katihar in connection with Pranpur P.S. Case No. 159 of 2024 subject to the following conditions:

(i) one of the bailor should be the family member/relative of the petitioner who shall provide official document (Aadhaar Card/Voter ID Card/Pan Card/Driving License) to show his/her bona fide;



(ii) the petitioner shall appear on each and every date before the Trial Court and failure to do so for two consecutive dates without plausible reason will entail cancellation of his bail bond by the Trial Court itself;

(iii) the petitioner shall in no way try to induce or promise or threat the witnesses or tamper with the evidences, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of the bail bonds;

(iv) the petitioner shall desist from committing any criminal offence again, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of his bail bonds.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

Adnan/-

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