

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.91543 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-292 Year-2019 Thana- Kharagpur District- Munger

Somnath Singh S/O Ram Bilash Singh @ Ram Nivash Singh R/O Vill.-
Durgapur, P.s.- Sangrampur, Dist.- Munger.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Shashi Saurabh, Advocate

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA
ORAL ORDER

3 26-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in a case registered for the offence punishable under Sections 498A, 364 and 120B of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

3. The petitioner along with other co-accused is said to have kidnapped the daughter of the informant.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner happens to be the relative of the mother-in-law of the victim and, as such, a distant relative of the victim who has been implicated in the present case with an allegation that he also aided in making the victim traceless and is involved in the conspiracy. However, no motive or reason for



the occurrence has been stated but for the fact that it has been the mother-in-law and other family members who used to demand dowry. The marriage of the victim, solemnized with one Vikash Kumar dates back to the year 2015 and the said Vikash Kumar has not been made accused in this case. It is further submitted that the allegations are general and omnibus in nature and the materials disclosed in paras-104, 231, 291, 316 and 319 of the case diary are indicative of the fact that a second marriage of the victim has been performed by the informant and this fact has transpired during investigation after proper enquiry. The petitioner, after being remanded from a different case, has been languishing in custody since 25.04.2025.

5. Learned APP for the State opposed the bail petition on the ground that the victim is still traceless.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that the petitioner is a very distant relative of the victim and sweeping allegations have been levelled against him coupled with the materials disclosed in the investigation, the above named petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail 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 where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with Kharagpur P.S. Case No.292 of 2019, subject to the conditions that :

(i) One of the bailors will be his own blood relative, preferably, father, mother, brother, sister and/or his wife.

(ii) The petitioner shall remain physically present in court on each and every date during trial and in the event of failure on two consecutive dates without sufficient reasons, his bail bonds shall be liable to be cancelled by the learned court concerned.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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