HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

CRIMINAL MISC. WRIT PETITION No. - 23983 of 2026

Akash Yadav And 4 Others

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State Of Up And 3 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	:	Shyam Shankar Mishra
Counsel for Respondent(s)	:	G.A.

Court No. - 48

HON'BLE CHANDRA DHARI SINGH, J.
HON'BLE TARUN SAXENA, J.

1. The present writ petition has been preferred with the following main reliefs:-

"(i) Issue a writ order or direction in the nature of certiorari quashing the impugned F.I.R. (Case Crime) No. 0078/2026, under Sections-191(2), 115(2), 352, 351(3), of the BNS and Section 3(2)(va) of The Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (Amendment 2015), Police Station-Barsathi, District-Jaunpur, lodged by respondent no. 4 on 06.04.2026 against the petitioners.

(ii) Issue a writ order or direction in the nature of mandamus commanding the respondents concerned not to adopt any coercive step against the petitioners in connection to the F.I.R. (Case Crime) No. 0078/2026, under Sections 191(2), 115(2), 352, 351(3) of the BNS and Section 3(2)(va) of The Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (Amendment 2015), Police Station Barsathi, District Jaunpur, lodged by respondent no. 4 on 06.04.2026."

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners, after some length of arguments on merits, submitted that since the

maximum punishment prescribed for the offences alleged in the impugned F.I.R. is up to seven years, he confines his prayer to an innocuous relief that the police authorities may be directed to comply with the mandatory procedure as laid down by the Supreme Court in the case of ***Arnesh Kumar vs. State of Bihar*** reported in ***(2014) 8 SCC 273*** before effecting the arrest of the petitioners.

3. *Per contra*, learned A.G.A. appearing on behalf of the State vehemently opposed the writ petition on merits but he has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.

4. Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners, Mr. R.K.Gupta, learned A.G.A. appearing on behalf of the State and perused the record.

5. Considering the fact that the offences as levelled in the F.I.R. are punishable with imprisonment up to seven years only, coupled with the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners and no objection expressed by learned A.G.A., thereto, this Court is inclined to allow the said innocuous prayer.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition is ***disposed of*** with a direction to the authorities concerned to ensure the procedure of arrest as per the guidelines of the Supreme Court enshrined in the case of ***Arnesh Kumar vs. State of Bihar*** reported in ***(2014) 8 SCC 273*** and the mandate of Section 35(3) of B.N.S.S.

(Tarun Saxena,J.) (Chandra Dhari Singh,J.)

October 27, 2026/Saurabh

Digitally signed by :-
SAURABH KUMAR
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