HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

CRIMINAL MISC. WRIT PETITION No. - 26407 of 2026

Anil Kumar

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State Of U.P. And 3 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	:	Jitendra Kumar, Santosh Kumar Tiwari
Counsel for Respondent(s)	:	G.A.

Court No. - 48

HON'BLE CHANDRA DHARI SINGH, J.
HON'BLE HARVIR SINGH, J.

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

"1). Issue a writ, order or direction in the nature of certiorari quashing the impugned First Information Report dated 29.08.2026 lodged in Police Station Civil Lines (Commissionerate Prayagraj), District Prayagraj being Case Crime No. 0429 of 2026 under Sections 351(2) and 351 (3) of BNS, 2023.

ii) Issue a writ, order or direction in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents not to take any coercive action against the petitioner pursuant to the impugned First Information Report dated 29.08.2026 lodged in Police Station Civil Lines (Commissionerate Prayagraj), District Prayagraj being Case Crime No. 0429 of 2026 under Sections 351(2) and 351 (3) of BNS, 2023."

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of petitioner, 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 of ***Arnesh Kumar Vs. State of Bihar*** reported in ***(2014) 8 SCC 273*** before effecting the arrest of the petitioner.

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

4. Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner, 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 petitioner 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.

(Harvir Singh,J.) (Chandra Dhari Singh,J.)

November 2, 2026
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