

**IN THE COURT OF SATYA BHUSHAN ARYA, SESSIONS JUDGE, BANKA**

*Dharmendra Kumar Singh Vs. State of Bihar*

*Anticipatory Bail Petition No. 763 of 2026*

*Date of filing : 01.06.2026*

*Date of order : 30.07.2026*

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*In the matter of:*

*Dharmendra Kumar Singh son of Arun Kumar Singh, resident of village  
Pahri Khoujri, P.S. Shambhuganj, District Banka*

*..... Petitioner*

*-Versus-*

*State of Bihar*

*.....Opposite Party*

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*Present : - Sri Abhay Prasad Tiwari, Advocate for the Petitioner  
Sri Hira Lal Singh, Public Prosecutor for the State*

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**ORDER**

1. *Apprehending arrest the petitioner has preferred this pre-arrest bail application who is booked in Shambhuganj Police Station Case No. 105 of 2026, for the offence allegedly committed under Sections 135 of Electricity Act.*
2. *The case of prosecution is engendered upon an application filed by one Rajiv Kumar, Junior Electrical Engineer, Power Supply Division, Shambhuganj with the allegations that on 19.03.2026, at about 04:10 pm, the raiding party including the informant reached at the residential premises of Dharmendra Kumar Singh, During inspection, it was found that a smart meter (meter no. 7458278) was installed in his premises, whose consumer number is 235200043455 and despite that he was found stealing electricity by bypassing meter. The load of the premises was found 4208 watt. As such, South Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd. incurred a revenue loss of Rs. 1,48,804/-.*
3. *In oral arguments, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. However, he is ready to pay fine/loss amount to the electricity department. In support of his contention, he filed an undertaking, wherein the accused/petitioner has stated that he will pay Rs. 1,48,804/- to the electricity Department in six*

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*equal installments.*

4. *In counter, learned Public Prosecutor for the State opposed the pre-arrest bail application.*

5. *Heard rival submissions and perused the record. Keeping in view the the undertaking given by the accused-petitioner that he will pay Rs. 1,48,804/- to the electricity Department in six equal installments, this court is inclined to grant the petitioner privilege of pre-arrest bail; resultantly, it is allowed. It is, therefore, ordered that upon arrest or surrender of the petitioner within fortnight of receiving the instant order the petitioner be admitted to anticipatory bail upon furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (ten thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount to the satisfaction of trial court subject to condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS. Out of the two sureties, one will be of the same village or close relative of petitioner.*

6. *File be consigned to the record room and that of trial court be sent back with a copy of this order.*

*(Dictated)*

*(Satya Bhushan Arya)*  
*Sessions Judge, Banka*