

In the Court of Sessions Judge, Madhepura.

B.P. No. 198 of 2026

(Arising out of Kumarkhand P.S. Case No. 288 of 2025)

1. Prashant Kumar Ranjan S/o Rajendra Paswan  
Resident of village – Laxmipur Chandisthan, Ward No. 03 and
2. Vikash Kumar S/o Late Vinod Yadav,  
Resident of village – Bishanpur Korlahi, Ward No. 08, both of P.S. - Kumarkhand, District  
– Madhepura. ....Petitioners.

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The State of Bihar.

.....Opposite Party.

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ORDER

This application for regular bail under Section 483 BNSS filed on behalf of both the above named petitioners, who are in judicial custody since 19.12.2025 in connection with Kumarkhand P.S. Case No. 288 of 2025 u/ss. 25 (1-b) a, 26, 35 and 25 (9) of the Arms Act, is pressed today for hearing.

Heard Srimati Sandhaya Kumari, learned counsel for the above named petitioners and Sri Bibeka Kumar Singh, learned Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the State of Bihar.

It is alleged in the First Information Report by the informant Manoj Kumar Singh, Sub-Inspector of Police, Kumarkhand that on 18.12.2025 at about 22:30 hours the informant along with armed forces proceeded from police station for night-patrolling and raid. During night patrolling-cum-raid at about 23:10 hours when the informant was at Rahta Chowk then he received a photograph of one person holding country made Katta, which was got verified by the informant by contacting with the local chowkidar 6/3 Santosh Kumar. The informant came to know that the aforesaid photograph displaying the aforesaid fire arms is of Prashant Kumar Ranjan (petitioner). The informant informed the above matter to the senior officer. The informant raided the house of the petitioner Prashant Kumar Ranjan for recovery of the viral fire arms. During raid two persons sleeping in the right side room of the house and on seeing the police both persons attempted to flee away. They were got stopped by the informant with the help of police and on interrogation they disclosed their names as Prashant Kumar Ranjan (petitioner) and Vikash Kumar (petitioner). The informant searched the bodies of both the above named apprehended persons and the house and during search two empty cartridges of 8 MM KF have been recovered from the right pocket of wearing Jeans pant of the petitioner Vikash Kumar and during search of the house of the petitioner Prashant Kumar Ranjan one live cartridge of 315 Bore and three empty cartridges of 8 MM KF kept inside a tin box have been recovered from the house. The seizure-list has been prepared duly signed by two witnesses and one copy each of the seizure-list has been served to both the above named petitioners.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submitted that both the petitioners are in judicial custody since 19.12.2025. It is further submitted on behalf of the petitioners that earlier prayer for regular bail of both the above named petitioners was rejected by this court vide order dated 06.02.2026 passed in B.P. No. 61 of 2026 and B.P. No. 74 of 2026 with observations that the petitioners may renew their prayer for regular bail before the learned lower court after framing of the charge against them in this case.

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It is further submitted on behalf of the petitioners that now charges have already been framed against both the petitioners on 26.02.2026 by the learned A.C.J.M. - III, Madhepura.

The learned Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf the State while opposing prayer for regular bail of the petitioners conceded that now charges have already been framed against both the above named petitioners.

Perused the lower court's case record. It appears that charges have already been framed against both the above named petitioners for the offence u/ss. 25 (1-b) a, 26, 35 and 25 (9) of the Arms Act on 26.02.2026 by the learned A.C.J.M. - III, Madhepura and now the case is fixed for evidence to be adduced on behalf of the prosecution. Both the petitioners are in judicial custody since 19.12.2025.

Considering the above facts, circumstances of the case as well as considering the period of detention of both the petitioners in judicial custody since 19.12.2025, both the above named petitioners, namely, Prashant Kumar Ranjan and Vikash Kumar are directed to be released on bail on their furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned trial court in connection with Kumarkhand P.S. Case No. 288 of 2025 **with conditions that (1) one of the bailors of both the petitioners shall be close relatives, (2) both the petitioners shall not be indulged in similar nature of offence in future and if they are found to be indulged in similar nature of offence in future, their bail bonds shall be cancelled automatically and (3) both the petitioners shall remain physically present before the trial court on each and every date during trial of the case and if they failed to do so on two consecutive dates, their bail bonds shall be cancelled automatically.**

Dictated

*Balram Dubey*  
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Sessions Judge,  
Madhepura.