

In the Court of Sessions Judge/Special Judge (NDPS), Patna

Anticipatory Bail Application No.-1775/2026

(Arising out of Economic Offence Unit Patna P.S. Case No.01 of 2026)

Rajeev Ratan Pratap Singh & Ors.

-----Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Bihar

-----Opposite party

Date

ORDER

30-05-2026

1. The present anticipatory bail application has been filed by the **accused-petitioners, namely (1) Rajeev Ratan Pratap Singh, (2) Prabhu Hajra, (3) Ritesh Prasad Verma, and (4) Govind Mahto**, who apprehend arrest in connection with **Economic Offence Unit Patna P.S. Case No. 01 of 2026** dated 10.02.2026, registered under **Sections 199, 229, 318(4), 316(5), 336(3), 340(2), 61(2) of the BNS and Section 59(1) of the NDPS Act**.
2. Heard Sri Saharsh Singh, learned counsel for the accused-petitioners and Sri Ashok Kumar Sinha, learned Spl. PP on behalf of the State.
3. The prosecution case in brief is that on 06.02.2026, Sri Md. Aslam, A.I., E.O.U., Patna issued a letter pursuant to an inquiry into Sugauli Rail P.S. Case No. 04/2025 under the NDPS Act. The inquiry committee found that certain police personnel of the GRP, RPF, and District Administration, including the petitioners, namely (1)Soti Kumar, then SHO GRP Sugauli, (2) Rajeev Ratan Pratap Singh (informant), (3) Sepoy Govind Kumar Mahto, (4) Prashant Kumar (Investigating Officer), (5) Sepoy Md. Samir Alam, (6) Sepoy Md. Jakir, (7) ASI Prabhu Hajra, (8) Head Constable Ritesh Prasad Verma, and (9) Magistrate-cum-CO Kundan Kumar, committed serious violations of legal procedures and SOPs during search, seizure, and investigation. It was revealed that the seized material was neither properly opened, verified, nor tested, yet was falsely shown as "Charas." The seizure procedure was not duly followed, the seizure list was defective, and the material was neither securely stored nor

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promptly produced before the court. Further discrepancies in timing, police records, and call details suggested manipulation. The inquiry indicated that the recovery was doubtful, possibly pre-planned or planted, with alterations in the place of recovery and backdated documents. The accused persons allegedly fabricated evidence, gave false statements, and misled senior officers.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that they are innocent, have no criminal antecedents, and have been falsely implicated. It was argued that the recovered articles were never left unattended, as several officials, including ASI Prabhu Hajra, Head Constable Ritesh Prasad Verma, Constable Govind Mahto of the RPF, and constables Md. Jakir and Munshi Sameer Alam of the GRP, were present throughout. Learned counsel further contended that all officials returned to the GRP Police Station with the seized articles, where the materials were weighed under the supervision of the GRP Sugauli. The weighing process was video graphed and photographed to ensure proper documentation. It was emphasized that the only non-bailable offences for which the petitioners seek anticipatory bail are under Sections 318(4), 316(5), 336(3), 340(2), and 61(2) of the BNS, punishable with imprisonment up to life. On these grounds, anticipatory bail was prayed for.
5. Per contra, learned Special Public Prosecutor vehemently opposed the prayer, submitting that the allegations are grave in nature. He argued that the investigation is ongoing, the charge sheet is yet to be filed, and given the seriousness of the accusations, the petitioners do not merit the privilege of anticipatory bail.
6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case; the nature of the

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accusations; the submissions of the Special Public Prosecutor; and the fact that investigation is still in progress with the charge sheet awaited, this Court finds that it is not a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail..

7. Accordingly, this anticipatory bail application filed on behalf of the petitioners namely **Rajeev Ratan Pratap Singh, Prabhu Hajra, Ritesh Prasad Verma, and Govind Mahto** stands rejected.

(Dictated)

Sd/-

(Rupesh Deo)

**Sessions Judge/Special Judge (NDPS),
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