

**IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE - IV
DISTRICT – SHEOHAR**

Present – Aditya Pandey, District & Additional Sessions Judge

Anticipatory Bail Petition (A.B.P.) No. 168 / 2026

(Arising out of Sheohar P.S. Case No. 46/2026 U/s. 316(2), 318(4) B.N.S.)

Raj Kumar, aged about 20 yrs

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of BiharOpposite Party

Appearance -

For the Petitioners : Sri Anjani Kumar, Advocate

For the State : Sri Arshad Siddiqui, Addl. Public Prosecutor, Sheohar.

ORDER

27.05.2026

The learned advocate for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor have been heard at length. Perused the case diary.

This petition for grant of anticipatory bail was filed on 13.04.2026 on behalf of Raj Kumar who apprehends arrest in connection with Sheohar P.S. Case No. 46/2026 registered on 11.02.2026 under sections 316(2), 318(4) B.N.S.

The prosecution's case in brief is that on 12.09.2025, the BST and audit team of M/s. Credit Access Grameen Limited, a licensed NBFC dealing in micro-finance, conducted an internal audit of its Sheohar Branch and found that the petitioner, who worked as Centre Manager, had kept with him the PAR amount, Pre-close Amount and collection amount and embezzled total amount of Rs.138356/- belonging to the company. It is further alleged that the petitioner had left the branch without any intimation and despite repeated calls, he was not making himself available for resolution of the irregularities.

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27.05.2026 It has been averred at the outset in para 2 of the petition that the petitioner has not moved any bail petition before this Court or Higher Court, and in para 3 that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

The learned advocate for the petitioner has argued and submitted that the petitioner is innocent and falsely implicated in this case. As a matter of fact, the petitioner had resigned from his position on 27.08.2025 after he was assaulted and harassed by the Branch authorities, regarding which he had made a written complaint at Sheohar P.S.. Moreover, there was an unexplained delay of five months after the alleged occurrence in filing of the case. It is therefore, prayed that the petitioner may be granted anticipatory bail.

The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has opposed the prayer mainly on the ground that the petitioner was accused of serious and non-bailable offences punishable with imprisonment for life or for a term which may extend to ten years and with fine.

Now, it transpires from perusal of record that the petitioner was an employee of the company and named as an accused in this case. The allegations have been supported by the informant, who is the Divisional Manager, and two other witnesses, who are other employees, in their statements as recorded during the investigation. However, as pointed out, no statement of accounts and any other document, whatsoever, showing the details of the receipts and deposits have been brought on record during the investigation. Moreover, it is apparent that statements of none of the debtors

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27.05.2026 from whom loan amount was said to be recovered by the petitioner, has been recorded in support of the allegations, and that there is an unexplained delay of about five months in filing of this case. On the other hand, a copy of the complaint filed on behalf of the petitioner with local police alleging harassment by the Branch authorities has been produced, and not controverted by the prosecution. It also appears that no criminal antecedent has been recorded against the petitioner during the investigation.

In view of the above facts and circumstances, I find it reasonable to grant the privilege of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. As such the prayer is hereby allowed. The petitioner is hereby ordered to be enlarged on bail in the event of arrest/surrender within **two weeks** of receipt of this order upon furnishing bail bonds of **Rs.10,000** with **two sureties of like amount each** to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court, subject to **filing of undertaking in terms of section 482 (2) B.N.S.S.**

Let a copy of this order be sent to the learned trial Court and also to S.P. Sheohar for information and needful.

(Dictated & Corrected)

Sd/-

Addl. Sessions Judge, IV
Sheohar