

In the Court of Principal District and Sessions Judge, Lakhisarai.
B.P. No. 1267/2026

Mayank Kashyap @ Ashwini Kumar S/o Late Harishankar Prasad,
R/o Mohalls Chaurasia Colony Hajipur, P.S. Industrial Area, District
Vaishali.....Petitioner.

Versus

The State of Bihar..... Opposite Party.

For the Petitioner: Sri Ashutosh Kumar Jha, Learned Advocate.

For the O.P.(State): Smt. Kumari Babita, Learned Public Prosecutor.

ORDER

14.08.2026: The present petition has been filed on behalf of the petitioner namely **Mayank Kashyap @ Ashwini Kumar**, in connection with Kiul P.S. Case No. 64/2026, which is registered under Sections 318(4), 338, 336(3), 340(2), 61(2), 3(5) of Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita and Section 10(1), 10(2), 11 of Public Examination (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Public Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

3. As per the first information report, the prosecution story, in brief, is that on 21.06.2026, information was received that some proxy candidates are appearing in the NEET Examination at the Center of the informant. On inquiry, some proxy candidates were found who took the name of some other persons as the persons who told them to appear on behalf of the candidates. They also took the name of the bio-metric operators who allowed them to enter without proper verification. The bio-metric operators also confessed that they were instructed to allow the proxy candidates inside the examination hall. The aforesaid candidates were arrested and seizure lists were prepared accordingly.

4. It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that the petitioner is bio-metric staff. He has no role to play in any type of irregularity. He is in custody since 22.06.2026.

5. Learned Public Prosecutor opposes the prayer for bail and submits that the petitioner has been named by other co-accused persons. He is one of the setters who have arranged the proxy candidates. The petitioner is an MBBS student and then also he was working as a bio-metric attendance which shows his involvement

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in the crime.

6. In the present case, the petitioner, who is the medical student of PMCH, Patna disguised himself as bio-metric staff and was present at the examination center. He was allowing the proxy candidates to enter without proper verification. Other persons, who were caught at the time of lodging of FIR have stated his name as one of the main persons in this irregularity. The acts of the petitioner shows that he was not only a part of the bio-metric team but he was one of the main persons who was involved in the entire conspiracy. Therefore, in my view, the petitioner does not deserve regular bail and hence the same is hereby **rejected**.

(Dictated)

(Syed Mohammad Shabbir Alam)
Sessions Judge,
Lakhisarai.
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