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**THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT  
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL  
PRADESH)  
KOHIMA BENCH**

**Case No. : AB/24/2025**

MR. PRAVEEN KUMAR  
S/O SHIVSAGAR PRASAD SINGH, R/O MITRHANPURA, MUZAFFARPUR, BIHAR

VERSUS

STATE OF NAGALAND  
NAGALAND KOHIMA

**Advocate for the Petitioner** : MOA JAMIR, K SHIJOH, GRACE I  
NAMGI, IMTI CHANG, ROSEMARY KIKON, SHISA JAMIR, R MERE, Y HUMTSOE

**Advocate for the Respondent** : P.P, NAGALAND,

**BEFORE  
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE YARENJUNGLA LONGKUMER**

**ORDER**

**Date : 06-11-2025**

The petitioner herein has filed this application under section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 praying for pre-arrest bail in connection with Sechu (Zubza) PS Case no. 02/2025 under section 316/318/336(2) (3) of BNS, 2023.

The learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr. P. Chanda, submits that the FIR was lodged by the complainant alleging

that the petitioner who had worked at the service Station as an Assistant Manager for the past 10 years and had defrauded/cheated a sum of Rs. 10 (ten) lakhs on five different occasions, i.e., on 04.03.2024, 04.03.2024, 10.05.2024, 17.05.2024, and 28.05.2024 by making false/fraudulent bills. It is also alleged that the petitioner was also found engaging in malpractices in the service station by issuing fraudulent invoices amount to Rs. 8 (eight) lakhs in October, 2024.

The petitioner submits that he was a mere employee of the service station and not an Assistant Manager as lodged in the FIR. It is also stated that the FIR dated 22.04.2025 is around 6 (six) months after the petitioner had already left the job. It is further submitted that the petitioner received summons to appear before the Sechu (Zubza) PS on 15.09.2025 at 1600 hrs for questioning. However, the said notice was received only after expiry of the given date.

It is also submitted that a civil case being Civil Suit No. 06/2025 arising out of the same cause of action is also pending before the Court of Civil Judge (Senior Division), Kohima. To this effect, the petitioner has filed an additional affidavit bringing to the notice of the Court the pendency of the said Civil Suit. It is therefore stated that the petitioner is ready to comply and cooperate for a speedy disposal of the civil suit and also the criminal case against him and therefore, the question of absconding does not arise. It is therefore prayed that the petitioner may be granted pre-arrest bail

pending investigation in the said matter.

Issue notice returnable within 1 (one) weeks.

Learned Public Prosecutor, Ms. Livika, has accepted notice on behalf of the State respondent, therefore, no formal notice is called for. The learned Public Prosecutor shall produce the updated copy of the case diary on the next date.

Till the next returnable date, in the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on furnishing a bail bond of Rs. 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) with one surety of like amount to the satisfaction of the Arresting authority.

List on 17.11.2025.

Sd/-  
**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**