

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI B.A. No. 10484 of 2023

Chandrika Singh	 Versus	Petitioner
The State of Jharkhand	versus	Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner	: Mr. Pramod Kumar, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Manoj Kr. Mishra, Addl. P.P.

Order No.04 Dated- 22.12.2023

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of privilege of bail in connection with Chutia P.S. Case No.125 of 2018 (G.R. No.3390 of 2018) registered under sections 420/406/468/471/120B of the Indian Penal Code and under section 132(1)(b)/132(1)(d)/132(1)(d) of the Jharkhand GST Act, 2017.

The Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner being the proprietor of M/s Annapurna Enterprises with mala-fide intention, on the basis of forged documents obtained registration under GST and by misusing the same and fraudulently evaded Central Tax of Rs.3,66,25,319.91 and State Tax also of the said amount. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and the petitioner has neither entered into any rent agreement with any Sanjay Singh nor he has applied for GST registration and the own brother of the petitioner namely Rohit Kumar Singh after obtaining his signature on the photocopies of Aadhar Card, Pan Card and bank account of the petitioner has misused the same for the fraudulent act. It is next submitted that the petitioner has submitted one reply to the notice of the Income Tax Department that the alleged owner of the house namely Sanjay Singh has denied any rent agreement with the petitioner. It is next submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 29.08.2023 as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 15 of the bail application. It is further submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the above named petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned J.M.F.C.-VIII, Ranchi, in connection with Chutia P.S. Case No.125 of 2018 (G.R. No.3390 of 2018) with the condition that the petitioner will cooperate with the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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