IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No.9562 of 2022

1. Kripal Ram @ Kirpa Shankar Ravi
2. Prashant Kumar ..... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand …. Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVNEET KUMAR

For the Petitioners : Mr. Gopal K. Sinha, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Fahad Allam, APP

2/29.09.2022 Heard learned defence counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned APP appearing for the State.

The petitioners are accused in connection with Meral P.S. Case No.108 of 2022, registered under Sections 188, 147, 149, 341, 323, 307, 337, 353 & 307 of IPC and u/s 25(1AB) of Arms Act.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is that he was one of the named accused persons, who are involved in the commission of offence where on the date of occurrence about 150 to 200 persons gathered at the voting booth and they were forcibly changing the ballot box and they also used the criminal force and assaulted the police personnel in discharge of their official duty.

It has been pointed out that the name of the petitioner has appeared on the basis of the confessional statement of one Santosh Kumar @ Santosh Ku. Ravi, who has been enlarged on bail vide B.A. No.8626 of 2022 and another co-accused namely Pankaj Kumar Kushwaha has also been enlarged on bail vide B.A. 8971 of 2022 by the co-ordinate Bench of this Court. It has further been pointed out that no TIP has been conducted and there is no criminal antecedent against this petitioner and the allegations are general and omnibus in nature. The charge-sheet in this case has been submitted and the possibility of tampering with the evidence is very remote and the petitioner is in jail since 28.05.2022.

On the other hand the learned APP opposed the prayer for bail.

Having taken into consideration the aforesaid submissions of the parties and under the facts and circumstances of this case, this petitioners Kripal Ram @ Kirpa Shankar Ravi and Prashant Kumar is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the court of learned S.D.J.M., Garhwa, in connection with Meral P.S. Case No.108 of 2022, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 439 of Cr.P.C.

(Navneet Kumar, J.)

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