

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA

Criminal Writ Jurisdiction Case No.2318 of 2017

Arising Out of PS.Case No. -null Year- null Thana -null District- SITAMARHI

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1. Amit Kumar Gupta S/o Late Lal Babu Gupta, R/o Mohalla- Koat Bazar, Ward No. 12, P.S.- Sitamarhi, District- Sitamarhi.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Through Its Principal Secretary, Excise Department .
2. The Director General of Police , Bihar, Patna.
3. The District Magistrate, Sitamarhi.
4. The Superintendent of Police, Sitamarhi,
5. The Sub Inspector, Excise Pupri Block, District- Sitamarhi.

.... Respondent/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Birendra Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Kumar Manish, SC-5

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE BIRENDRA KUMAR
ORAL JUDGMENT
Date: 20-12-2017

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the State.

2. This writ application has been preferred for release of the vehicle bearing registration No.BR-30L/0596, which was seized in connection with GO No.98 of 2017/180 of 2017, in favour of the petitioner.

3. The constitutional validity of the provisions of Sections 56, 57, 58 and 60 of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016 is under challenge in **Cr. W.J.C. No. 2446 of 2017 (Rahul Kumar @ Rahul V. The State of Bihar and others)** and the matter is pending before the larger Bench of this Court.



4. Hence, the respondents are directed to release the referred vehicle in favour of the petitioner by way of ad interim custody on execution of **bank guarantee of Rs.50,000/- (Fifty thousand) or sale deed of immovable property of equal value standing in the name of the petitioner** to the satisfaction of the learned Court-below/authority concerned where the case is pending, with condition that the petitioner would not dispose of the said vehicle without permission of the authority concerned and shall produce as and when required by the Court. The release shall be subject to the result of the Cr.W.J.C. aforesaid.

5. With the aforesaid observation, this writ application stands disposed of.

(Birendra Kumar, J)

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