

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Criminal Writ Jurisdiction Case No.237 of 2018

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RANJIT SAW @ RAJIT SAW, Son of Mewa Saw @ Naval Kumar,
Resident of Ramnagri Sector-4, Gandhinagar, P.S. Rajivnagar, District-
Patna.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Excise Department,
Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Collector, Patna.
3. The Senior Superintendent of Police, Patna.
4. The Station House Officer, Rajivnagar, P.S. District Patna.
5. The I.O. of Rajivnagar, P.S. Case No. 309/2017, Rajivnagar P.S., District
Patna.

.... Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Kumar Praveen

For the Respondent/s : Mr. P.N. Shahi (AAG-6)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN
PRASAD
ORAL ORDER

2 16-02-2018 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel representing the State.

Petitioner has prayed for release of the vehicle Tata
Indigo ECS bearing Reg.No.BR-01PH-4153, Engine
No.4751DT14HTYP29589, Chassis No.MAT607341GPH28593,
which has been seized by the police in connection with Special
Case No.8139 of 2017, arising out of Rajivnagar P.S. Case No.309
of 2017, District-Patna for the offence under Section 30(a) of the
Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016. It is alleged that 1.5 liters
of foreign liquor have been recovered from the vehicle in question.



Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by the terms and conditions which may be imposed by this Court for provisional release of the vehicle in question.

In the facts and circumstances, pending initiation or finalization of the confiscation proceeding, let the vehicle of the petitioner be provisionally released on production of proof of ownership and registration of the vehicle in his favour subject to the following conditions:-

(i) Petitioner shall furnish surety bond of Rs.5,00,000/- (five lakhs) (not in form of bank guarantee or cash) with two sureties of the like amount to the satisfaction of court below or the authority concerned.

(ii) The petitioner shall also give an undertaking that he will not deal with the vehicle in question and shall not alienate or encumber the same creating any kind of adverse interest against the interest of the State, he will not use the vehicle for any illegal purpose and as and when required, he will produce the vehicle in question before the



competent court/authority.

(iii) At the time of release, the concerned authority/court shall get prepared a photograph duly certified in presence of the petitioner and panchnama of the vehicle in question shall also be prepared and keep the same on record which may be used as secondary evidence.

(iv) Petitioner undertakes not to challenge the said photograph and panchnama so prepared in his presence at the time of release of vehicle in question for use in course of trial or the confiscation proceeding, as the case may be.

The application stands disposed of.

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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