

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.6459 of 2018

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1. Sushil Kumar Jha @ Sushil Jha, Son of Dinesh Jha, resident of Village-Harpur Kalan, P.S. Mejorganj, District- Sitamarhi.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through its Principal Secretary, Excise Department, Patna.
2. The Director General of Police, Bihar, Patna.
3. The District Magistrate, Sitamarhi.
4. The Superintendent of Police, Sitamarhi.
5. The Officer in-charge Police Station Bathnaha, District Sitamarhi.

.... Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Birendra Kumar

For the Respondent/s : Mr. Kumar Manish -Sc5

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN

PRASAD

ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

2 10-04-2018 This writ petition has been filed for release of a vehicle (Scorpio Jeep) bearing Registration No.JH-05G-1161 which has been seized in connection with Bathnaha P.S. Case No.46 of 2018 due to violation of the Excise Act. The prayer made in the writ petition is to release the vehicle in question pending finalization of the confiscation proceedings and criminal case.

It is common ground that in various cases, identical in nature, pending finalization of the confiscation proceedings vehicles have been directed to be released by this Court on various conditions and we see no reason to make a deviation in the present



case.

Keeping in view the aforesaid, it is directed that pending finalization of the aforesaid confiscation proceedings and criminal case, the aforesaid vehicle in question shall be released to the petitioner, on his furnishing two surety bonds to the satisfaction of District Magistrate, Sitamarhi and further undertaking to produce the vehicle as and when directed by the authority concerned and not to alienate to deal with the vehicle in question or create a third party interest during the pendency of the confiscation proceedings and criminal case or prejudice the right of the State in confiscation proceeding. The aforesaid vehicle shall be released within one week from the date of furnishing of the sureties.

With the aforesaid, the writ petition stand allowed and disposed of.

(Rajendra Menon, CJ)

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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