

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**

**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.7074 of 2018**

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Muna @ Jabir, son of late Salim Kuraishi, resident of Bibiganj Chiktoli, P.S.-  
Danapur, District-Patna.

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through Principal Secretary Excise Department.
2. The District Magistrate, Patna.
3. The Police Inspector-cum-S.H.O., Kotwali, Police Station, Patna.

.... .... Respondent/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Binod Kumar Sinha

For the Respondent/s : Mr. VIVEK PRASAD- GP7

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE**

**and**

**HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN PRASAD**

**ORAL JUDGMENT**

**(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)**

**Date: 17-04-2018**

This writ petition has been filed for release of a vehicle (Tata Sumo Victa Jeep) bearing Registration No. BR-1AP-4863, which has been seized in connection with Kotwali P.S. Case No. 245/2016 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 Bank Guarantee to the satisfaction of District Magistrate, Patna and further undertaking to produce the vehicle as and when directed by the authority concerned and not to alienate or 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 Bank Guarantee.

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

**(Rajendra Menon, CJ)**

**(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)**

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