

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.13875 of 2018

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Prayag Mahto S/o Mangal Mahto, Resident of Village-Turhapatti, P.S.-Sirisia
O.P., District-West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Through the Principal Secretary, Excise & Prohibition Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Principal Secretary, Excise & Prohibition Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Collector-Cum-District Magistrate, West Champaran at Bettiah.
4. The Superintendent of Police, West Champaran at Bettiah.
5. The Inspector of Police, Excise Sadar Anchal, Bettiah, Dist. West Champaran.
6. The Officer-in-Charge, Bettiah Mufassil (Banuchapur) P.S., Dist-West Champaran.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Anil Kr. Sinha - GA1

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN PRASAD

ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

2 23-07-2018 This writ petition has been filed for release of a vehicle (motorcycle) bearing Registration No. BR 22Z 6420, which has been seized in connection with Bettiah Mufassil (Banuchapur) P.S. Case No. 148 of 2018 due to violation of the provisions of the Excise Act.

It is common ground that in various cases, identical in nature, pending finalization of the confiscation/excise/criminal 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 confiscation/excise proceedings and/or criminal case, the vehicle in question shall be released to the petitioner on the petitioner furnishing two surety bonds to the satisfaction of District Magistrate-cum-Collector, West Champaran at Bettiah 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 during the pendency of the confiscation/excise proceedings and/or criminal case so as to create third party rights or prejudice the rights of the State in the pending proceedings. Valuation of the vehicle in question shall be done as per the valuation shown in the insurance documents.

The vehicle in question be released within one week from the date of furnishing the surety bonds.

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

(Rajendra Menon, CJ)

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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