

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.13616 of 2018

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Ratnesh Kumar Singh @ Ratan Singh son of Late Manik Singh @ Arvind Narayan Singh resident of village - Meena Bazar Sonepur, P.S. Sonepur, District Saran at Chapra.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through Principal Secretary, Excise Department, Bihar, Patna.
2. The District Magistrate, Saran at Chapra.
3. The Senior Superintendent of Police, Saran at Chapra.
4. The Excise Officer, Saran at Chapra, District - Chapra.
5. The Officer Incharge Sonepur, Dist. - Saran at Chapra.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ranjit Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Vivek Prasad – GP 7

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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 Having heard learned counsel for the parties, we find that the shop General Store of the petitioner has been sealed by the police officials in connection with Sonepure (Hariharnath O.P) P.S. Case No. 589 of 2018 for violation of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2016.

It is common ground that in various cases, identical in nature, pending finalization of the confiscation proceedings properties 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 criminal case or confiscation proceedings, the aforesaid shop General Store of the petitioner shall be unsealed and possession handed over to the petitioner on the petitioner furnishing original title deed of the property in question and two local sureties to the satisfaction of District Magistrate-cum-Collector, Saran at Chapra and further undertaking not to alienate or deal with the property in question or create a third party interest during the pendency of the confiscation proceedings and/or criminal case or prejudice the right of the State in the confiscation proceedings. The property of the petitioner should be unsealed and possession handed over to the petitioner within a period of one week from the date of furnishing the original title deed and sureties.

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

(Rajendra Menon, CJ)

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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