

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Criminal Writ Jurisdiction Case No.1233 of 2018

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1. Bibhash Ranjan S/o Late Ram Awtar Singh, R/o Vill.- Musahari, Near Bajrang Bali Temple, P.S.- Parsauni, District- Sitamarhi.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Through The Principal Secretary, Excise Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Director General of Police, Bihar, Patna.
3. The Inspector General of Police, Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur.
4. The Deputy Inspector General of Police, Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur.
5. The District- Magistrate, Sitamarhi.
6. The Superintendent of Police, Sitamarhi.
7. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sitamarhi.
8. Sri Abhay Kumar Singh, Sub Inspector , Excise, District- Sitamarhi.

.... Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Jai Shanker Prasad

For the Respondent/s : Mr. Anil Kumar Sinha (Ga1)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN PRASAD
ORAL ORDER

2 04-05-2018 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel representing the State.

Petitioner has prayed for release of the vehicle Hero Honda Splendor I Smart bearing Reg. No. BR 06AN 8609, Chassis No. MBLHA12ACE9K08782 and Engine No. HA12EME9K08768, which has been seized by the police in connection with Government Official P.S. Case No. 194 of 2017, District- Sitamarhi for the offence under Sections 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016. It is alleged that 2.25 litres of foreign liquor has 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.

Considering the facts and circumstances, pending initiation or finalization of the confiscation proceeding, let the vehicle of the petitioner be released provisionally within one week from the date of production of proof of ownership and registration of the vehicle in favour of the petitioner subject to the following conditions:-

(i) Petitioner shall furnish surety bond of Rs. 60,000/- (Sixty Thousand) (not in form of bank guarantee or cash) with two sureties of the like amount to the satisfaction of District Magistrate, Sitamarhi/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 shall undertake not to challenge the said photograph and panchnama so prepared in his presence at the time of release ohf 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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