

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4092 of 2019

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Bikram Mourya, (Male) aged about 22 years, S/o Akshay Lal Mourya @
Adalti, Resident of Koraghatampur, P.S.-Ahiraula, Distt.-Azamgarh, U.P.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. The District Magistrate Saran at Chapra
3. The Superintendent of Police Saran at Chapra
4. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Saran at Chapra
5. The Officer-in-Charge, Bhagwan Bazar Police Station, Distt.-Saran at Chapra
6. The District Excise Officer, Saran at Chapra

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Surendra Kishore Thakur
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Kumar Manish (SC5)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JYOTI SARAN
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SRIVASTAVA
ORAL JUDGMENT
(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JYOTI SARAN)

Date : 07-03-2019

No one appears on behalf of the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the State is present.

The prayer is for provisional release of the Hero
HF Deluxe Motorcycle bearing Registration No. UP50AS-2648,
which has been seized in connection with Bhagwan Bazar P.S.
Case No. 422 of 2018 for the offence punishable under Section
30 (a)/38 of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016.

It is informed by learned counsel for the State
that he has no information about initiation of the confiscation



proceeding and the seizure list reflects a seizure of one can beer and 180 ml. of IMFL.

Having heard learned counsel for the State and taking note of the nature of seizure made, we direct that the vehicle in question be released provisionally in favour of the petitioner on production of ownership and registration with respect to vehicle in question in his name before the designated Court below with one (local) surety along with a Bank Guarantee or original title deed of immovable property situated within the district to the extent of the value of the vehicle as indicated in the insurance document. The petitioner while submitting the surety and the bank guarantee or the original title deed, as the case may be, shall also furnish the following affidavits / undertakings:

(i) That the vehicle in question has never been involved in any offence of similar nature in past and shall not indulge in similar offence in future.

(ii) That the petitioner shall not indulge in creating any third party right or interest in respect of the vehicle during the pendency of the confiscation proceeding, if any, and shall not alienate the vehicle during this period.



(iii) The petitioner shall furnish an undertaking to produce the vehicle before the confiscating authority as and when required.

(iv) Prior to release of the vehicle, a *Panchanama* would be got prepared by the designated Court below, wherein the photograph of the vehicle shall be taken and will be certified by the petitioner and the same shall be kept on record so that in future, if so required, it may be used as a secondary evidence. The petitioner shall furnish an undertaking not to challenge the said *Panchanama* in course of trial.

The release shall be allowed within a period of 14 days from the date of production of ownership/registration papers supporting the claim of the petitioner together with one surety along with the bank guarantee to the extent of the value of the vehicle as indicated in the insurance amount and the undertakings as stated above. This release would, however, be subject to initiation and finalization of the confiscation proceeding. The title deed papers shall remain in safe custody of the designated Court below subject to final decision in the confiscation proceedings.



With the observations/directions above, this writ
petition is allowed.

(Jyoti Saran, J)

(Arvind Srivastava, J)

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