

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.18605 of 2018

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Devnarayan Paswan S/o Sitaram Paswan R/o Ward No. 08 Marra Jeev, P.O.
Mahuli Anchal - Rosera Mohiuddin Nagar Purab, Magargarh District -
Samastipur, Bihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State Of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Excise,
Government of Bihar, Patna
2. The Principal Secretary, Home Police, Bihar, Patna.
3. The District Magistrate, Samastipur.
4. The Superintendent of Police, Samastipur.
5. The S.H.O. Police Station, Bibhutipur, Samastipur.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ghanshyam Choudhary

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 : 01-04-2019

Heard learned counsel appearing for the
petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the State.

The petitioner prays for provisional release of
the Mahindra KUV100/K20D Car bearing Registration No.
BR-01PH-9330, Chasis No. MA1VB2NACH6H93076, Engine
No. NAHZH62584, which has been seized in connection with
Vibhutipur P.S. Case No. 232 of 2018 for the offences



punishable under Sections 279, 304(A) of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 30(a), 47 of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

It is stated by learned counsel for the petitioner that confiscation proceeding is yet to be initiated and the vehicle is lying under the open sky in the police station. The seizure list reflects the seizure of 90 ml of I.M.F.L.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and taking note of the nature of seizure made as well as the fact that the confiscation proceeding is yet to be initiated, 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 two sureties to the extent of the value of the vehicle as indicated in the insurance document. The petitioner while submitting the sureties 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, as and when initiated, 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, the Court below would get prepared a Panchanama 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 submission of the sureties and the undertakings as stated above. This release of the vehicle would, however, be subject to initiation and finalization of



the confiscation proceeding.

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

(Jyoti Saran, J)

(Arvind Srivastava, J)

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