

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.10284 of 2020

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-805 Year-2019 Thana- GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COMP.
District- Gaya

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PRADEEP KUMAR KESHRI Son of Ganesh Prasad Keshri Resident of
Village- Keshapi, P.S.- Dobhi, District- Gaya.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sanjeev Kumar
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Anish Chandra

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHAKRADHARI SHARAN SINGH

ORAL ORDER

2 28-02-2020 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

This application for regular bail arises out of **Excise case No. 805/2019**, disclosing the offence under Section 30 (C) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act (Amendment) 2018, Sections 2 (c), 3, 5(b) and 13 of the Bihar Mahua Flower Rules, 2006.

Allegedly from the vehicle which the petitioner was driving, the Excise Officials recovered 800 Kg. of *Mahua* flower.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has been wrongly implicated as the driver of the vehicle. According to him, the petitioner was a



passer-by and he has been wrongly shown as driver of the vehicle from which the *Mahua* flower was recovered.

Considering the seriousness of the allegation and the quantity of *Mahua* flower recovered which is used for manufacturing illicit country made liquor, I am not inclined to grant the petitioner privilege of regular bail for the present.

The prayer of petitioner for grant of regular bail stands rejected.

The petitioner may renew his prayer for bail after six months, if there is no progress in the trial.

(Chakradhari Sharan Singh, J)

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