

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
(FROM RESIDENTIAL OFFICE VIA VIDEO APPLICATION)
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.19485 of 2021**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-324 Year-2020 Thana- GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COMP.
District- Gopalganj

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Devendra Kumar Sah S/O Biltu Shah R/o village- Bhogia, P.S.- Ladania,
District- Madhubani

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ayush Kumar,Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Akshay Lal Pandit,APP

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJEEV RANJAN PRASAD
ORAL ORDER**

2 23-07-2021 Learned counsel for the petitioner undertakes to remove

all the defects pointed out by the Stamp Reporter within four weeks

after start of normal functioning of the Court.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Akshay
Lal Pandit, learned APP for the State.

The petitioner in the present case is seeking regular bail in
connection with Excise Case No. 324 of 2020 registered for the
offences punishable under Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and
Excise Act, 2016.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner along with three other co-accused persons were arrested on
the spot with the car. On search of the said car total 324.450 liters of
illicit liquor was recovered.

Learned counsel submits that the petitioner is innocent
and has falsely been implicated in the present case. It is submitted



that the petitioner was arrested on mere suspicion while he was standing near the vehicle in question. The petitioner is in custody since 14.11.2020 having no criminal antecedent.

Learned APP for the State has opposed the prayer for regular bail of the petitioner.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case wherein it is the submission of learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is not the owner of the vehicle in question, he was arrested on mere suspicion while he was standing near the said car, he has got clean antecedent and in connection with this case he has remained in custody since 14.11.2020, investigation against him is complete but the trial is not likely to take place in near future, this Court directs release of the petitioner above named on bail on furnishing of bail bonds of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Additional District and Sessions Judge II, Gopalganj in connection with Excise Case No. 324 of 2020, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 437(3) Cr.P.C. as under:

(a) that such person shall attend in accordance with the conditions of the bond executed under this Chapter,

(b) that such person shall not commit an offence similar to the offence of which he is accused, or suspected, of the commission of which is suspected, and

(c) that such persons shall not directly or indirectly make



and inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.

And further condition that the court below shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the court below shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

The application stands allowed.

(Rajeev Ranjan Prasad, J)

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Note: The ordersheet duly signed has been attached with the record. However, in view of the present arrangements, during Pandemic period all concerned shall act on the basis of the copy of the order uploaded on the High Court website under the heading 'Judicial Orders Passed During The Pandemic Period'.

