

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.19350 of 2022**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-23 Year-2021 Thana- MAJHAULIA District- West Champaran

PRAMOD MAHTO @ PRAMOD DHANGAD Son of Late Dukhaharan
Mahto @ Dukhaharan Dhangad Resident of Village - Bakhariya Dhangad Toli
Ward No. 12, Police Station - Majhaulia, District - West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sachida Nand Rai

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Gauri Shankar Gupta

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA SHEKHAR JHA
ORAL ORDER**

2 15-07-2022 Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the

petitioner and learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State

through virtual Court proceedings.

Let the defect(s), if any, be removed within a period
of four weeks from today.

The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Majhaulia
P.S. Case No. 23 of 2021 registered for the offence under
Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2018.

The accused/petitioner is named in the F.I.R. and is in
custody since 18.02.2022.

The allegation against the petitioner is to be engaged
in illegal trade of illicit liquor, where, there is recovery of 132
litres of illicit country made liquor.



Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that recovery has been made from *bush*, as such, it cannot be said that the alleged recovery has been made from the conscious physical possession of the petitioner. It has further been submitted that petitioner is a man of clean antecedent. While concluding the argument, it has been submitted that investigation has been completed, for which, charge-sheet has already been submitted in this case, as such, there is no chance of tampering with the evidence.

Learned APP, while opposing the prayer of bail, fairly conceded the fact that recovery was made from bush and the same has not been recovered from physical possession of the petitioner.

Considering the facts and circumstances as mentioned above, as the alleged recovery has not been made from the conscious physical possession of the petitioner, who is a man of clean antecedent coupled with the fact that charge-sheet has already been submitted, let the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on bail in connection with Majhauria P.S. Case No. 23 of 2021 on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Excise



Bettiah, West Champaran/concerned court, subject to the following conditions:

“(i)Accused/Petitioner shall cooperate in the trial and shall be physically present on each and every date before the Trial Court till conclusion of the trial and exemption from physical appearance be allowed by the Trial Court, only on medical ground of the petitioner duly supported by the documents.

(ii) That one of the bailors shall be Suresh Dhangar, who is the son-in-law of the petitioner and deponent of the present bail petition.”

(Chandra Shekhar Jha, J)

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