

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.56185 of 2022**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-275 Year-2022 Thana- SAKRA District- Muzaffarpur

AJAY JHA @ BABUA DON SON OF KAMESHWAR JHA R/O VILLAGE-  
DHARMAGATPUR (GANGATI), P.S.- SAKRA, DISTT.- MUZAFFARPUR

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Hari Kishore Thakur, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Bhanu Pratap Singh, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA**  
**ORAL ORDER**

2      25-11-2022                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State in the virtual court  
proceeding.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to  
remove the defect(s), as pointed out by the office, if any, within  
a period of four weeks from today.

The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in a case  
registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of  
Bihar Prohibition and the Excise Act, 2016.

Recovery is of 3436.920 liters of foreign made illicit  
liquor.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the  
petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case. No  
criminal antecedent pending against the petitioner. The name of



the petitioner has been transpired on the basis of confessional statement of the co-accused namely, Upendra Kumar and secret information. He further submits that the recovery has been made from vehicle in question and not from petitioner's possession. Therefore, the recovery cannot be attributed to the petitioner. There is non-compliance with mandatory procedure prescribed for recovery under Section 100 of Cr.P.C. No case, whatsoever, would be made out against the petitioner under the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner referring the provision contained in Section 76(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act and submitted that the pre-arrest bail would not be maintainable. He further submits that the petitioner carries four more cases other than the present one.

This court is aware of the decision of the Full Bench in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar** reported in **2019(2) P.L.J.R. 1089**. Having regard to the law laid down in the aforesaid judgment and the submission advanced on behalf of the parties, this Court, for the limited purpose of grant of anticipatory bail, is inclined to accept the submission of counsel for the petitioner.



Considering the aforesaid facts, nothing has been recovered from conscious possession of the petitioner, let the petitioner, above named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the court below within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court below where the case is pending in connection with Sakra P.S. Case No. 275 of 2022, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure and with other following conditions:-

1. Petitioner shall co-operate in the trial and shall be properly represented on each and every date fixed by the court and shall remain physically present as directed by the court and on his absence on two consecutive dates without sufficient reason, his bail bond shall be cancelled by the Court below.

2. If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witnesses, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.

3. And further condition that the court below shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any state 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.

**(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)**

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