

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.21318 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-283 Year-2022 Thana- KISHUNPUR District- Supaul

1. Sandip Kumar S/O- Late Zile Singh Village- Babail Ps- Panipath sector 13/11 dist- panipat, Haryana
2. Lokesh Kumar son of Mukesh Kumar Putkale Ps- Sultanpur sector-20, Delhi

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajeev Shekhar

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Ahmad Ali

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 10-05-2023 Heard Ld. counsel for the petitioners and Ld. APP

for the State.

The petitioners seek bail in connection with Sessions Case No. 964 of 2022, arising out of Kishanpur P. S. Case No. 283 of 2022, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 414 and 420 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 30(a), 38(i) and 41(i) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act.

As per allegation, 5580 litres of liquor was recovered from a truck bearing Registration No. BR02GA-2455.

Ld. counsel for the petitioners submits that the



petitioners are innocent and have falsely been implicated in this case. He further submits that nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioners. He further submits that petitioner nos. 1 and 2, respectively, are the driver and Khalasi of the truck and they were not aware of the contents of the material loaded in the truck, as they were working as per instruction of their owner.

He further submits that the petitioners have been languishing in jail since 22.11.2022.

It has also been stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail petition that the petitioners have no criminal antecedents.

It is also stated in paragraph no. 2 of the bail petition that the petitioners have not moved this Court earlier either for anticipatory bail or regular one.

However, Ld. APP for the State vehemently opposes the prayer of the petitioners for bail.

Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, **this application is allowed**, directing the petitioners, above-named, to be enlarged on bail on their furnishing bail



bonds in the sum of Rs. 10,000 /- (Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Ld. Special Judge Excise, Supaul, in connection with Sessions Case No. 964 of 2022, arising out of Kishanpur P. S. Case No. 283 of 2022 on the following conditions:

(i) The petitioners will make themselves available for interrogation by a police officer/court as and when required.

(ii) The petitioners will undertake that investigation/trial will not get hampered on account of their absence or non-cooperation. They must be available to the police or the court whenever their presence is required.

(iii) The petitioners shall not, directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade them from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer.

(iv) In case, it is brought to the notice of the court below that the petitioners have any criminal antecedents, Ld. court below shall cancel the bail bonds of the petitioners



after hearing them and getting satisfied that the petitioners have concealed their criminal antecedents despite their knowledge of the same.

(v) In case, it is brought to the notice of the court below that statement regarding previous bail petition is wrong, Ld. court below shall cancel the bail bonds of the petitioners.

(vi) In case, the petitioners repeats offence of similar nature after enlargement on bail, their bail-bonds will be cancelled by the court below.

Ld. counsel for the petitioners is directed to remove all the defects, if any, pointed out by the office within a period of one month and the Registry is directed to issue the certified copy of this order only after removal of office objections.

(Jitendra Kumar, J)

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