

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.34352 of 2023**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-142 Year-2022 Thana- ARARIA District- Araria

Manoj Mandal, Son of Vishnudev Mandal, Resident of Village- Balia, Ward  
No. 08, Ps -BALIA, Distt- Purnea

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Anil Prasad Singh, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Mohammed Arif, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH  
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ORAL ORDER

2      25-05-2023              Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to  
remove defect (s), as pointed out by the office, if any, within a  
period of four weeks on resumption of physical mode.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
A.P.P for the State.

The petitioner has preferred this application for grant  
of regular bail in connection with Araria (Bairgachhi) P.S. Case  
No. 142 of 2022 dated 14.02.2022 registered for the offences  
punishable u/s 272 and 273 of the Indian Penal Code and  
Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

As per the prosecution case, total 135 litres of foreign  
liquor of different brands was recovered from the Tata Indigo  
car which was being driven by the co-accused.



Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner is not named in the F.I.R. He has further submitted that the petitioner is not the owner of the seized vehicle. The registered owner of the seized vehicle is Pankaj Sah. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner has got clean antecedent as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. The petitioner is in custody since 18.04.2023.

Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the bail petition of the petitioner.

Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the period of custody, the petitioner above-named, is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Court concerned, Araria in connection with Araria (Bairgachhi) P.S. Case No. 142 of 2022.

The application stands allowed.

**(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)**

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