

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.68887 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-201 Year-2022 Thana- KHANPURA District- Samastipur

LALIT MAHTO @ LALIT KUMAR MAHTO Son of Panchu Mahto @
Umesh Mahto R/v- Madhub Tola, P.S.- Khanpur, District- Samastipur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Mahendra Pratap

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Braj Kishore Pd.(App)

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 03-02-2023 Heard Ld. counsel for the petitioner and Ld. APP
for the State.

The petitioner seeks bail in connection with
Khanpur P.S. Case No. 201 of 2022 (Excise G.R. No. 614 of
2022), registered for the offences punishable under Section
30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016.

As per allegation, total 51.84 litres of liquor was
recovered from the house of the petitioner.

Ld. counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this
case. He further submits that nothing has been recovered
from the conscious possession of the petitioner. He also



submits that petitioner was not arrested on the spot and no case is made out as per the procedure as prescribed under Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016.

He further submits that the petitioner has been languishing in jail since 30.08.2022.

It has also been stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail petition that the petitioner has earlier been made accused in one other case.

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

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

Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, **this application is allowed**, directing the petitioner, above-named, to be enlarged on bail on his furnishing bail bonds in the sum of Rs. 10,000 /- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Ld. Special Excise Court – I, Samastipur in connection with Khanpur P.S. Case No. 201 of 2022 (Excise G.R. No. 614 of 2022),



on the following conditions:

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

(ii) The petitioner will undertake that investigation/trial will not hamper on account of his absence or non-cooperation. He must be available to the police or the court whenever his presence is required.

(iii) The petitioner 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 him 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 petitioner has criminal antecedents other than the disclosed one, Ld. court below shall cancel the bail bonds of the petitioner after hearing him and getting satisfied that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedents despite his 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 petitioner.

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

Ld. counsel for the petitioner 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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