

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.17460 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-344 Year-2023 Thana- BANIAPUR District- Saran

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KUNDAN SINGH Son of Suman Singh Resident of Village-Nagdiha, P.S.-
Baniapur, District-Saran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Harsh Anuj

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Manoj Kumar

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
SINGH**

ORAL ORDER

3 13-09-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his/her arrest in a
case in connection with Baniapur P.S. Case No. 344 of 2023
dated 21.08.2023 for the offence/s punishable u/s 30(a) of the
Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 50 litres of illicit
country made liquor was recovered from the Nagdiha Chawar.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted
that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in
this case. No incriminating material has been recovered from the
conscious possession of the petitioner. The recovery was made
from an open place that is accessible to anyone. The name of the



petitioner has transpired on mere suspicion. The petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. The petitioner has four criminal antecedents as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. Learned counsel has submitted that no case is made out against the petitioner. Learned Counsel has relied on the judgment of Full Bench of Hon'ble Patna High Court in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar 2019 (2) PLJR 1089**. The Full Bench in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)** has held that an application for anticipatory bail in a case arising out of Bihar Excise and Prohibition Act can be maintained, despite the bar under Section 76 (2) of the Act, if on the basis of allegation made in the FIR, no offence under the said provision is made out. Similarly situated co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail by this court vide order dated 16.02.2024 passed in Cr. Misc No. 6027 of 2024.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner by submitting that the bar of Section 76(2) of the Act applies in this case.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the material available on the record, let the above named petitioner, in the event of his/her arrest/surrender



within a period of six weeks from today, be enlarged on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court concerned, Saran at Chapra in connection with Baniapur P.S. Case No. 344 of 2023, subject to conditions as laid down under section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, with further condition/s:-

(i) The petitioner is directed to remain physically present before the learned Court below on each and every date, failing which on two consecutive dates without reasonable cause, the bail bond of the petitioner is liable to cancelled.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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