

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.11683 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-119 Year-2023 Thana- SAKATPUR District- Darbhanga

Santosh Kumar Mahto @ Santosh Mahto S/o Jagdish Mahto R/o - Pali , P.S. -
Ghanshyampur, Dist. - Darbhanga

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Baidyanath Prasad

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Pronoti Singh

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESH CHAND
MALVIYA**

ORAL ORDER

2 23-02-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and

learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is in custody in connection with Sakatpur P.S Case No. 119 of 2023 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment Act), 2018.

3. As per F.I.R., 135 litres of illicit liquor has been recovered from a tempo.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. He further submits that no incriminating article has been recovered from the conscious possession of the



petitioner. It is also submitted that petitioner is in judicial custody since 23.12.2023.

5. However, learned APP for the State oppose the prayer for regular bail of the petitioner.

6. On perusal of the FIR, impugned order and period of custody and also considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and submissions made on behalf of the petitioner, let the above named petitioner be released on bail *after framing of the charge* on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Judge-II (Excise Act), Darbhanga in connection with Sakatpur P.S Case No. 119 of 2023.

7. The trial court is directed to conclude the proceeding of framing of charge according to law within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. However, it is made clear that *if the charge-sheet has not been submitted* then the petitioner shall be released on bail on the above conditions and he shall



be present physically on each and every date before the trial court till conclusion of the proceeding of framing of charge.

(Ramesh Chand Malviya, J)

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