

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.38107 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-29 Year-2024 Thana- NOWKOTHI GARHPURA District-
Begusarai

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Mano Devi W/o- Sanjay Sahni Resident of Village- Naokothi ward no 10 PS-
Naokothi, Dist- Begusarai

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Vinod Gautam

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 27-06-2024 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends her arrest in a case registered
for the offences punishable under Sections 272 and 273 of the Indian
Penal Code read with Section 30(a) of the Bihar Excise Act.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and is a woman and
allegation is of recovery of 7 liters of liquor from the house of the
petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner was not arrested from the spot as such nothing was
recovered from her conscious possession and after amendment in the
Excise Act in the year 2018, the concept of deemed possession and
presumed offender has been done away with. It is next submitted that
even the house, in question, is a joint family property, as such, it



cannot be alleged with certainty that it was the petitioner who had kept the liquor in the house or the liquor kept in the house was within her knowledge and she came to be implicated based on secret information which is the easiest way to implicate someone.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of her arrest or surrender before the learned trial court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned trial court where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Naokothi P.S. Case No. 29 of 2024 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. However, it is made clear the learned Trial Court before accepting the bail bonds of the petitioner shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even one case in that event, the present anticipatory bail order shall not be given effect to.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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