

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.42292 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-47 Year-2024 Thana- ASHTHAWAN District- Nalanda

KARU PRASAD @ SARNATH S/O HARIMURARI R/O VILLAGE-
NOAMA, P.S- ASTHAWAN, DISTT.- NALANDA (BIHAR).

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

THE STATE OF BIHAR

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Gyanendra Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Meena Singh, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

- 3 22-08-2024 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P. for the State.
2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offence punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2018.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent.
4. Allegation is of recovery of 33.930 litres of liquor from a ditch near Noama village.
5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner was not arrested from the spot, as such, nothing was recovered from his conscious possession and even the alleged recovery is from a place which does not belong to the petitioner and is accessible to public at large. It is further submitted that petitioner came to be implicated at the instance of the Chawkidar. It is next submitted that the police in majority of the cases implicate either at



the instance of the Chawkidar, local person, secret information and confessional statement in a mechanical manner without holding proper investigation of the case. It is also submitted that it absolutely does not stand to reason that how the Chawkidar identified the petitioner when petitioner is not known to him.

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

7. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, let the petitioner above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below 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 court below where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Asthawan P.S. Case No. 47 of 2024, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

8. However, the learned trial court, before accepting the bail bonds of the petitioner, shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and 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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