

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.41842 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-294 Year-2023 Thana- NADI P.S. District- Patna

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GOLDY @ RANJAN KUMAR @ GOLDY YADAV SON OF LATE
RAUSHAN RAI RESIDENT OF VILLAGE - JETHULI, POLICE STATION
- NADI, DISTRICT - PATNA

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

THE STATE OF BIHAR BIHAR

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Jay Ram Prasad, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s : Mrs.Asha Kumari, APP

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
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ORAL ORDER

2 30-08-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in a case in connection with Nadi P.S. Case No. 294 of 2023 dated 12.09.2023 registered for the offences punishable u/ss 420, 467, 468 and 471 of the Indian Penal Code and u/s 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 270 litres of illicit country made liquor kept in nine jute sacks was recovered from the tempo.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent as stated in



para 3 of the bail petition. The name of the petitioner has transpired in this case merely on suspicion. The petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the said vehicle and the same was not being driven by the petitioner at the time of the alleged recovery. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner, hence no case is made out. The co-accused persons have already been granted anticipatory bail by this court vide order dated 23.05.2024 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 33003 of 2024. 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 reported in 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.

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 nature of allegation against the petitioner, let the above named petitioner, in the event of his arrest/surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned court concerned, Patna City in connection with Nadi P.S. Case No. 294 of 2023, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

7. This application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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