

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.56814 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-29 Year-2024 Thana- HALAI District- Samastipur

Munna Pandit Son of Ram Lakhan Pandit Resident of Near Choudhary Petrol
Pump, P.S. - Kankarbagh, District- Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

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

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Renu Kumari, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 09-08-2024 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 offences punishable under Sections 272 and 273 of the Indian
Penal Code and Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise
Act.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is a person with clean antecedent.

4. Allegation is of recovery of 36 litres of liquor from a
Tata Indigo.

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 he came to be
implicated based on the fact that he is owner of the seized vehicle. It
is further submitted that no prudent person would use his own
vehicle for committing an occurrence and thus would create evidence



against himself and hence would get implicated. It is next submitted that petitioner was completely unaware that his driver Manoj Kumar would misuse the vehicle in the manner as alleged who was also apprehended from the spot along with Shankar Kumar.

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 Halai P.S. Case No. 29 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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