

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.60022 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-167 Year-2024 Thana- MAJORGANJ District- Sitamarhi

Chandan Singh @ Chandan Kumar Singh Son of Vishnu Prakash Singh @
Khobhari Singh, R/V- Village- Dumari Kalan, Ward no- 8, PS- Majorganj,
Distt.- Sitamarhi.

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Uday Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party : Mr. Ram Naresh Ray, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 11-09-2024 Heard Mr. Uday Kumar, the learned counsel for the

petitioner and Mr. Ram Naresh Ray, the learned Additional

Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in

connection with Majorganj PS Case No. 167 of 2024, FIR dated

14.05.2024, registered for the offences punishable under Section

30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. Recovery is of 25.500 litres of Nepali liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that

petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case merely

on the basis of suspicion. He further submits that according to

the FIR and seizure list, nothing has been recovered from the

conscious possession of the petitioner, rather the recovery has

been made from beneath the sugarcane leaves kept inside the



house of the co-accused person namely, Mohan Paswan and the name of petitioner transpired on the basis of disclosure made by local chowkidar. There is non-compliance with mandatory procedure prescribed for recovery under Section 100 of Cr.P.C. No case, whatsoever, would be made out against the petitioner under the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

5. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State on the other hand has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner referring the provision contained in Section 76(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act and submitted that the pre-arrest bail would not be maintainable. Apart from that, petitioner carries six cases other than the present one, however, he fairly admits that out of six cases, petitioner is on bail in four cases.

6. This Court is aware of the decision of the full Bench in the case of *Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar* reported in **2019(2) P.L.J.R. 1089**. Having regard to the law laid down in the aforesaid judgment and the submission advanced on behalf of the parties, this Court, for the limited purpose of grant of anticipatory bail, is inclined to accept the submission of counsel for the petitioner.

7. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances



and mainly the facts that nothing has been recovered from conscious possession of the petitioner and petitioner's name transpired on the basis of disclosure made by local chowkidar, let the petitioner, above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned trial Court within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge Exclusive Special Excise Court - 01, Sitamarhi, where the case is pending in connection with **Majorganj PS Case No. 167 of 2024**, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C. and also the following conditions:-

(i). Petitioner shall co-operate in the trial and shall be properly represented on each and every date fixed by the learned trial Court and shall remain physically present as directed by the learned trial Court and on his absence on two consecutive dates without sufficient reason, his bail bond shall be cancelled by the learned trial Court.

(ii). If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witnesses, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.



(iii). And further condition that the learned trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case, at any stage, it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the learned trial Court shall take steps for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)

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