

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.63449 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-30 Year-2023 Thana- NEORA District- Patna

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Vaishakhi Manjhi, S/O Sipahi Manjhi R/O Village- Mochita Musahri, P.S-
Neora, Dist.- Patna.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Avinash Raj

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Sanjay Kumar Sharma

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

- 2 03-09-2024 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and

learned APP for the State.
2. The petitioner seeks bail in anticipation of his

arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under

Section 30(a) of the Excise Act.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits

that the petitioner has antecedent of one case and the

allegation is of recovery of 16 litres of liquor from the house

of Rudal Manjhi and 110 litres of liquor from the house of

the petitioner.
4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits

that petitioner was not arrested from the spot, as such,



nothing was recovered from his conscious possession and after Amendment in the Excise Act, 2018, the concept of deemed possession and presumed offender has been done away with and even the house, which is a joint family property and thus, 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 his knowledge and he came to be implicated at the instance of Chaukidar with whom he is on an inimical term.

5. Learned A.P.P. opposes the anticipatory bail application.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner, above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks, is directed to be released on bail on his furnishing bail-bonds in the sum of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge Excise, Danapur, Patna in connection with Neora P. S. Case No.30 of 2023, subject to the conditions



laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. The application stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that 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 more than one case, in that event, the present anticipatory bail order shall not be given effect to.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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