

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.77068 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-358 Year-2020 Thana- GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COMP.
District- Samastipur

RAKESH CHAUDHARY S/O SHANKAR CHAUDHARY R/O VILLAGE-
KASBE AAHAR, P.S- TAJPUR, DISTT.- SAMASTIPUR.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Surya Narayan Roy, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Raj Ballabh Singh, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

4 07-03-2024 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 (Amendment) Act, 2018.

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

4. Allegation is of recovery of 13.875 litres of liquor
from the hut of the petitioner.

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 after amendment
in the Excise Act in the year 2018, the concept of deemed
possession and presumed offender has been done away with. It



is further submitted that the police in a mechanical manner without holding any investigation implicated the petitioner with an allegation that the hut belongs to the petitioner, when the petitioner asserts and submits that he has no concern with the hut as specially pleaded at para 7 of the anticipatory bail application.

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, 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 Excise P.S. Case No. 358 of 2020, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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