

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.78940 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-142 Year-2023 Thana- BEERPUR District- Begusarai

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Amarjeet Kumar @ Abhijit Kumar Son Of Bhushan Singh R/O Village-
Suryapura, Ward No.1, P.S.- Bhagwanpur, District- Begusarai

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar BIHAR

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Mritunjay Kumar, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Damodar Prasad Tiwary, APP

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

2 04-01-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Beerpur P.S. Case No. 142 of 2023 dated 19.08.2023 for the offences punishable u/s 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 242.150 litres of illicit foreign liquor was recovered from the vehicle and behind the poultry farm of the co-accused person.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner 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 surfaced in this case



on the basis of confessional statement of the apprehended persons. The petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the seized vehicle. Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery and nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner, hence no case is made out. 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 anticipatory bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court concerned, Begusarai in connection with Beerpur P.S. Case No. 142 of 2023, subject to conditions as laid down under section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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