

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.79481 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-90 Year-2021 Thana- BIBHUTIPUR District- Samastipur

Baidhnath Ray @ Baijnath Ray Son Of Sri Gulab Ray Resident Of Village -
Mohalla - Ward No.02, Purnahi, P.S. - Warisnagar, District - Samastipur, Pin
Code - 848301

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State Of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Sushmita Sharma, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Braj Kishore Pd.(App)

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

2 08-01-2024 Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to
remove the defect(s), as pointed out by the office, if any, within
a period of three weeks from today.

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

3. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in a case in
connection with Bivutipur P.S. Case No. 90 of 2021 dated
22.03.2021 for the offence/s punishable u/ss 272 and 273 of the
IPC and section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

4. As per the prosecution case, total 3960.720 litres of
foreign liquor was recovered from the two different vehicles and
orchard situated in Bharpura Dih.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted



that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. No incriminating material has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the said vehicles. The petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. The apprehended co-accused person disclosed the name of the petitioner. The petitioner has six other criminal antecedents as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. Learned counsel has submitted that no case is made out against the petitioner. 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 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.

6. 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.

7. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances



of the case as well as the material available on record, 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, Samastipur in connection with Bivutipur P.S. Case No. 90 of 2021, subject to conditions as laid down under section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, with further condition:-

(i) The petitioner is directed to remain physically present before the learned Court below on each and every date, failing which on two consecutive dates without reasonable cause, the bail bonds of the petitioner are liable to be cancelled.

8. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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