

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.80515 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-573 Year-2023 Thana- MOTIHARI TOWN District- East
Champaran

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Sikandar Kumar Son Of Ram Chandra Sah R/O Village- Hanri Bazar, P.S.-
Town, District- East Champaran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Sunil Kumar No.Iii, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Bishweshwar Ram, APP

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

2 10-01-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with A.B.P. No. 4350 of 2023 arising out of Town P.S. Case No. 573 of 2023 dated 19.08.2023 for the offences punishable u/ss 30(a) and 41(i) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 76 litres of illicit country made liquor was recovered from the Thela. One person was apprehended from the spot.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner has six criminal antecedents as stated in para 3 of the



bail petition. The name of the petitioner was disclosed by the apprehended person. Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. 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, East Champaran, Motihari in connection with Town P.S. Case No. 573 of 2023, 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 prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of his bail bond.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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