

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.83760 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-248 Year-2023 Thana- SUGAULI District- East Champaran

Munna Sahani Son Of Danknath Sahni R/O Village- Gorigawa, P.S.- Sugauli,
Dist.- East Champaran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State Of Bihar.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sharda Nand Mishra, Advocate.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Suresh Prasad Singh, A.P.P.

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

2 19-01-2024 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 connection with Sugauli P.S Case No. 248 of 2023 dated 20.06.2023 for the offences punishable u/ss 272, 273 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code and 30(a), 32 and 41(i) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

4. As per the prosecution case, total 60 litres of illicit liquor was recovered from the orchard of the



petitioner and the co-accused persons.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. It is further submitted that the recovery was made from the orchard which is an open place and accessible to any one. The petitioner has six criminal antecedents as stated at para 3 of the bail petition. No incriminating article 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.

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 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 Sugauli P.S Case No. 248 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 bail bond of the petitioner is liable to be cancelled.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

Nilmani/-

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