

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.5705 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-329 Year-2024 Thana- BHELDI District- Saran

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Ganesh Rai @ Ganesh Kumar Yadav S/o Ram Dev Rai R/o Village-
Mathiyapur, P.S.- Bheldi, Distt.- Saran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Krishna Kumar Yadav, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Madan Kumar, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 19-02-2025 Heard Mr. Krishna Kumar Yadav, learned counsel for

the petitioner and Mr. Madan Kumar, learned Additional Public

Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest connection
with Bheldi P.S. Case No.329 of 2024, F.I.R. dated 16.10.2024
registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the
Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. Allegation is of recovery of 21 liters of liquor near
the hut.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and he has falsely been implicated in the
present case on secret information as well as disclosure made by
the local *Chowkidar*. He further submits that it appears from the
F.I.R. itself that nothing has been recovered from the conscious
possession of the petitioner rather recovery has been made near



the hut of the petitioner and the name of the petitioner has been made by the local chowkidar. He further submits that petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery and he has been made accused merely on the ground of suspicion/secret information. Therefore, the recovery cannot be attributed to the petitioner. There is non-compliance with mandatory procedure prescribed for recovery under Section 100 of Cr. P.C./ Section 103 of BNSS, 2023 No case, whatsoever, would be made out against the petitioner under the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

5. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner referring the provision contained in Section 76(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act and submitted that the pre-arrest bail would not be maintainable. He further submits that the petitioner carries two more case of similar nature but fairly submits on the basis of paragraph-3 of the bail petition that the petitioner is on bail in the pending matter.

6. This court is aware of the decision of the Full Bench in the case of Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar reported in 2019(2) P.L.J.R. 1089. Having regard to the law laid down in the aforesaid judgment and the submission advanced on behalf of the parties, this Court, for the limited purpose of grant



of anticipatory bail, is inclined to accept the submission of counsel for the petitioner.

7. Considering the aforesaid facts that nothing has been recovered from conscious possession of the petitioner, let the petitioner, above named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the court below within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of the order. be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Ist Exclusive Special Excise Judge, Saran at Chapra in connection with Bheldi P.S. Case No.329 of 2024, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure/Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 and with other following conditions:-

(i) Petitioner shall co-operate in the trial and shall be properly represented on each and every date fixed by the court and shall remain physically present as directed by the court and on his absence on two consecutive dates without sufficient reason, his bail bond shall be cancelled by the Court below.

(ii) If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witnesses, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.



(iii) And further condition that the court below shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the court below shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)

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