

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.5725 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-450 Year-2023 Thana- RIGA District- Sitamarhi

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Amit Kumar @ Amit Rai Patel S/O Bachha Rai Patel Resident of village-
Babhangama Utervari Tola, P.S.- Riga District- Sitamarhi

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ranjeet Kumar Mishra, Advocate

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

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 19-02-2025 Heard Mr. Ranjeet Kumar Mishra, learned counsel

for the petitioner and Mr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, learned

Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest connection
with Riga P.S. Case No. 450 of 2023, F.I.R. dated 02.11.2023
registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of
the Bihar Prohibition & Excise Act.

3. Recovery is of 70.800 liters of illicit liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and he has falsely been implicated in the
present case. He further submits that the allegation as alleged in
the F.I.R. is false and fabricated and the petitioner has not
committed any offence as alleged in the F.I.R. He further
submits that it appears from the F.I.R. that nothing has been



recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner and the name of the petitioner has been transpired on the basis of disclosure made by apprehended co-accused persons namely Subhash Singh and Mukesh Kumar and as per allegation in the F.I.R the petitioner fled away from the place of occurrence. 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 fled away from the place of occurrence and the apprehended co-accused persons have disclosed the name of the petitioner and apart from that the petitioner carries one 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 and the fact that nothing has been recovered from conscious possession of the petitioner and the name of the petitioner has been transpired on the basis of disclosure made by apprehended co-accused persons, 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 Exclusive Special Excise Court-I, Sitamarhi in connection with Riga PS. Case No. 450 of 2023, 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:-

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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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