

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15293 of 2025**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-256 Year-2022 Thana- SANOKHAR District- Bhagalpur

Amar Kumar S/O Bilash Prasad Mandal R/O Village - Gangabaig Mirachak,
P.S- Industrial, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Brij Nandan Prasad, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Nagendra Prasad, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER**

2 10-04-2025 Heard Mr. Brij Nandan Prasad, learned counsel for
the petitioner and Mr. Nagendra Prasad, learned Additional
Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in
connection with Sanokhar P.S. Case No. 256 of 2022, F.I.R
dated 20.11.2022 registered for the offences punishable under
Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2018.

3. Recovery is of 10.5 liters of foreign liquor from
the scooty of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the
present case. He further submits that it appears from the F.I.R
and seizure list that nothing has been recovered from the
conscious possession of the petitioner. He further submits that



the petitioner has been made accused in the present case only because he is the owner of the said vehicle (Scooty) and he has given the vehicle in question to one Vishal Kumar who was apprehended at the place of recovery. There is non-compliance with mandatory procedure prescribed for recovery under Section 100 of Cr.P.C / Section 103 of Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita. 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 one criminal antecedent other than the present one but fairly submits that the petitioner is on bail in that case.

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 and he has been made accused only on the ground that he is owner of the vehicle in question, 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 the learned District and Additional Sessions Judge-12-cum-Special Excise Judge-2, Bhagalpur in connection with Sanokhar P.S. Case No. 256 of 2022, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure / Section 482(2) of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 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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