

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.19115 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-246 Year-2020 Thana- DAGARUA District- Purnia

Ranjeet Kumar Mandal S/O Surendra Mandal R/O Village- Ward No.9,
Haripur, Jogbani, P.S- Jogbani, Distt.- Araria.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Kamlesh Kr. Pathak Mr.Sumit Kumar Bhagat
For the Opposite Party/s :		Mr.Kalyan Shankar

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
SINGH**

ORAL ORDER

2 15-04-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P for the State.

2. The petitioner has preferred this application for grant of regular bail in connection with Special Excise Case No. 638/2020 arising out of Dagarua P.S. Case No. 246/2020 dated 29.12.2020 registered for the offences punishable u/s 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act and Section 272 and 273 of the I.P.C.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 1267.125 litres of illicit foreign liquor was recovered from the Tata-407.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. As per para. 12 of the bail petition, the petitioner has



no concern with the vehicle. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner is implicated in this case on mere suspicion. The other co-accused persons have already been granted bail by the Co-ordinate Bench of this court *vide* order dated 02.09.2021 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 22479/2021. The petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. The petitioner has two antecedents in which he is on bail as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. The petitioner is in custody since 18.01.2025.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the bail petition of the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the period of custody, the petitioner above-named, is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Court concerned, Purnea in connection with Special Excise Case No. 638/2020 arising out of Dagarua P.S. Case No. 246/2020.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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