

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.19514 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-38 Year-2024 Thana- SHIVAJINAGAR District- Samastipur

Ranjay Kumar @ Ranjay Mahto S/O Ramdev Mahto R/O Village -
Bhupatpur, P.S- Khanpur, District - Samastipur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mrs. Poonam Kumari, Advocate

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN
ORAL ORDER

2 16-04-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The present Cr. Misc. Application has been filed under Section 482 of The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as "BNSS, 2023") for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner who apprehends arrest in connection with Shivajinagar P.S. Case No. 38 of 2024, dated 07.09.2024, lodged under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022.

3. As per the prosecution, total recovery of 13.320 litres of illicit liquor has been made which is the subject matter of the present case. The recovery has been made from a car registered in the petitioner's name.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. Counsel further submits that, although the car is registered in the



petitioner’s name, he had given it to a friend for some urgent work and was completely unaware that it was being used for any illegal activity, otherwise he would not have allowed his friend to use the vehicle. Counsel further submits that the petitioner has clean criminal antecedent. Counsel also assures that such a mistake shall not occur on the part of the petitioner in the future.

5. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner.

6. As such, in the present facts and circumstances of this case, let the above named petitioner be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of arrest or surrender before the Trial Court within a period of 4 weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) as mentioned in Section 2(1)(d) of the BNSS, 2023 to the satisfaction of Exclusive Special Excise Judge-1, Samastipur, in connection with Shivajinagar P.S. Case No. 38 of 2024, subject to the conditions as laid down U/s 482(2) of the BNSS, 2023.

(Dr. Anshuman, J.)

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