

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.21989 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-139 Year-2024 Thana- BAHADURPUR District- Darbhanga

Subham Bhowmick Son of Nishit Bhowmik Resident of Vill Ward No. 13,
Purba Baliadanga, P.O. and P.S.- Chakdah, District- Nadia, State- West
Bengal, Pin- 741222

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Patna

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Baidyanath Prasad
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Veena Kumari Jaiswal

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
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ORAL ORDER

02 04-07-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in a case in
connection with Bahadurpur P.S. Case No. 139 of 2024 dated
31.03.2025 for the offence/s punishable u/ss 30(a), 38 of the
Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 255 litres of illicit
foreign liquor was recovered from a Maruti Suzuki car.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted
that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in
this case. No incriminating material has been recovered from the
conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner is the
registered owner of the said vehicle as mentioned in para 7 of



the bail petition. The said vehicle was not being driven by the petitioner at the time of the alleged occurrence. The petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. Learned counsel has submitted that no case is made out against the petitioner. Learned Counsel has relied on the judgment of Full Bench of Hon'ble Patna High Court in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar 2019 (2) PLJR 1089**. The Full Bench in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)** has held that an application for anticipatory bail in a case arising out of Bihar Excise and Prohibition Act can be maintained, despite the bar under Section 76 (2) of the Act, if on the basis of allegation made in the FIR, no offence under the said provision is made out.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner by submitting that the bar of Section 76(2) of the Act applies in this case.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the material available on the record, let the above named petitioner, in the event of his arrest/surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be enlarged on



anticipatory bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/-
(Rupees twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount
each to the satisfaction of the learned court concerned,
Darbhanga in connection with Bahadurpur P.S. Case No. 139
of 2024, subject to conditions as laid down under section 482(2)
of the BNSS.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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