

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.30227 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-206 Year-2024 Thana- ARERAJ District- East Champaran

Mahendra Patel @ Mahendra Raut S/O Sanchit Raut @ Ramjeet Raut
Resident of Village- Janerwa, Ward No.- 7, P.S- Areraj, District- East
Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Karandeep Kumar, Advocate

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 15-05-2025 Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner and the learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection
with Areraj P.S.Case No.206 of 2024, registered for the offence
punishable under Sections 274 & 275 of BNS and Section 30(a)
of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, total 15 litres
of country-made liquor was recovered from the stacks of straw
kept outside the joint house of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has
committed no offence. The name of the petitioner has been
disclosed by the local Chowkidar, with whom the petitioner has
enmity.



5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner and admits that there is complete failure of prohibition in the State of Bihar.

6. Having considered the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, considering the nature of allegation made in the FIR, the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the Court below within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Special Judge, Excise Court No.1, East Champaran, Motihari in connection with Areraj P.S.Case No.206 of 2024, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

7. The learned district court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and if it is found that the petitioner is involved in some other cases as what has been stated in Para-3 of the bail petition, this order will automatically lose its force.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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