

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.39952 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-62 Year-2025 Thana- SANGRAMPUR District- East
Champaran

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Pradeep Sharma @ Kishan Kumar S/o Kundan Sharma @ Kundal Sharma
R/o vill - Manglapur Bhadai, P.S.- Sangrampur, Distt.- East Champaran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Suraj Kumar Tiwari, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Shyam Bihari Singh, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 26-06-2025 Heard Mr. Suraj Kumar Tiwari, learned counsel for

the petitioner and Mr. Shyam Bihari Singh, learned Additional

Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in
connection with Sangrampur P.S. Case No. 62 of 2025, F.I.R
dated 19.02.2025 registered for the offences punishable under
Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment)
Act.

3. Recovery is of 36.780 liters of Indian made
foreign liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
the petitioner has clean antecedent and he has falsely been
implicated in the present case. He further submits that it appears



from the F.I.R as well as seizure list that altogether 36.780 liters of IMFL has been recovered from the hotel and car in question. He further submits that the petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the vehicle in question. He further submits that the owner of the hotel is one Manoj Chaudhari. Name of the petitioner has been transpired on the basis of the secret information and the petitioner has no concern at all with the alleged recovery of the illicit liquor or the co-accused persons. 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. 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.

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 rather recovery has been made from the hotel and car 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 Special Judge, Excise Court No. 1, East Champaran, Motihari in connection with Sangrampur P.S. Case No. 62 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure / Section 482(2) of the BNSS 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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