

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.44082 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-709 Year-2024 Thana- EXCISE MASAUDHI District- Patna

Suraj Kumar S/o Bijendra Ray @ Jitendra Singh R/o Village- Lalu Path, P.S.-
Ramkrishnanagar Sampatchak, District- Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Khushi Awadh
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Raj Kishor Singh

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH SINGH

ORAL ORDER

2 01-08-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Excise Masaurhi P.S. Case No. 709/2024 dated 13.12.2024 for the offences punishable u/s 30(a), 56(b) and 32(3) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 80 litres of illicit country-made liquor was recovered from the motorcycle.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. As per para. 7 of the bail petition, the petitioner is the owner of the said vehicle. The other co-accused



person has already been granted regular bail by this court *vide* order dated 18.03.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 8739/2025. No incriminating article has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner, hence no case is made out. 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 reported in 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 nature of allegation against the petitioner, 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,
Patna in connection with Excise Masaurhi P.S. Case No.
709/2024, subject to conditions as laid down under section
482(2) of the B.N.S.S.

7. This application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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