

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.44582 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-123 Year-2025 Thana- KATORIYA District- Banka

Mantu Kumar @ Mentu Kumar S/O Rajendra Mandal R/O Village-
Katahara,PS- Sultanganj, District- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ranjan Kumar Jha, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Nitya Nand Tiwary, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH
MISHRA**

ORAL ORDER

2 15-07-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Katoriya
P.S. Case No. 123 of 2025 instituted for the offences punishable
under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that total 171 litres
of liquor was recovered from Bolero vehicle.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the
petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case. No
incriminating article has been recovered from the conscious
possession of the petitioner. Learned counsel further submitted
that petitioner is not the owner of the vehicle. It is further
submitted that petitioner is only the driver of the vehicle in



question and had no knowledge regarding the goods loaded in the vehicle in question. The petitioner is in custody since 03.05.2025 and has no criminal antecedent. There is no compliance of Section 103 of the Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and the period of custody undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Let the petitioner be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Katoriya P.S. Case No. 123 of 2025.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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