

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.53207 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-259 Year-2025 Thana- SARAIYA District- Muzaffarpur

Pankaj Mahto son of Naresh Mahto Village -Daudnagar PS- Paroo District
-Muzaffarpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Yugal Kishore, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Kumar Ranjit Ranjan, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 07-08-2025 Heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner and learned A.P.P. appearing on behalf of the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offence punishable under Sections 30(a), 41 (1) & (2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per prosecution case, 882 litres of foreign liquor was recovered from two pick-up vans.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner that petitioner is quite innocent and has committed no offence. Petitioner is neither owner nor driver of the seized vehicle. The name of the petitioner was disclosed by apprehended co-accused persons. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of this petitioner. Petitioner has got one criminal antecedent of similar nature in



which he is already on bail.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the nature of accusation and the fact that no incriminating article has been recovered from conscious possession of this petitioner, the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner is allowed.

7. Accordingly, in the event of arrest/surrender within a period of eight weeks from today, let the above named petitioner be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 10,000/- (ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Judge Excise, Court No. II, Muzaffarpur in connection with Saraiya P.S. Case No. 259 of 2025, subject to condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S..

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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