

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.57583 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-774 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Patna

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Srikant Yadav @ Suryakant Kumar S/O Ram Pravesh Ray, Resident of
Village- Daldali Park Road, P.S.- Kadamkuan, District- Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

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

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

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUNIL DUTTA MISHRA
ORAL ORDER

2 15-09-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends arrest in a case registered
under Sections 30(a) and 56(b) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise
Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, there is recovery of
216 liters of illicit foreign liquor kept hidden under the middle
seat and rear seat of Mahindra Scorpio vehicle bearing
Registration No. BR-29-AY-3086. It is alleged that this
petitioner and other co-accused persons fled away from the spot.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this
case due to suspicion. Further submission is that petitioner is
neither the owner nor the driver of the seized vehicle. Petitioner



has no concern with the seized illicit liquor. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner. There is no independent witness on the seizure list. It is submitted that similarly situated co-accused Raju Kumar and Chandan Kumar have already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court *vide* order dated 02.09.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 55741 of 2025. Petitioner has no criminal antecedent and he undertakes to cooperate in the investigation and trial.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and submissions of learned counsel for the parties, in the event of arrest or surrender before the Court below within six weeks from today, the petitioner be released on bail upon furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge Excise-III, Patna in connection with Excise P.S. Case No.774 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S., 2023.

(Sunil Dutta Mishra, J)

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