

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.54978 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-123 Year-2025 Thana- KATIHAR MUFFASIL District- Katihar

Sokesh Kumar @ sokesh Mehta @ Sukesh Kumar son of Mangan Mehta
Village- chandi Kathwa, Ps- Ranipatra, Dist- Purnea

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Pawan Kumar Singh, Advocate

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

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

ORAL ORDER

2 14-08-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP
for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with
Muffasil (Katihar) PS Case No. 123 of 2025 instituted for the
offences under Section/s 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and
Excise Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that 195.960 liters
foreign liquor was recovered from two tempo.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the
present case. No incriminating material has been recovered from
the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner has got
no concern with the alleged recovery of liquor. It is submitted



that name of the petitioner has surfaced in this case as being driver of the vehicle in question and he was oblivious of the fact that illicit liquor was laden in the vehicle. The petitioner is in custody since 31-05-2025 and has got one criminal antecedent/s. There is no compliance of Section 103 of the BNSS, 2023.

5. Learned A.P.P. 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.15,000/- (Fifteen thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Muffasil (Katihar) PS Case No. 123 of 2025.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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