

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.58732 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-379 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Kaimur (Bhabua)

Aashutosh Yadav S/o Indra Narayan Yadav R/o Village- Ward No. 12,
Dighiya, P.S.- Dighiya, District- Supaul (Bihar)

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Sarfraz Ahmad, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Syed Mojibur Rahman, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA PRAKASH
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ORAL ORDER

3 31-10-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Bhabua Excise P.S. Case No. 379 of 2025 dated 31.05.2025 registered for the offences punishable u/ss 30(a), 32(1)(3), 41(1)(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 1221 litres of illicit foreign liquor was recovered from the pick-up vehicle.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent as stated in para 3 of the bail petition. The petitioner is the owner of the seized vehicle but the seized vehicle was not being driven by the petitioner at



the time of the alleged recovery as stated in para 2 of the supplementary affidavit filed on behalf of the petitioner. The petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner, hence no case is made out. The co-accused person has already been granted regular bail by this court vide order dated 07.07.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 42542/2025. 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, Kaimur at Bhabua in connection with Bhabua Excise P.S. Case No. 379 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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