

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.69682 of 2025**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-607 Year-2024 Thana- RAJAOLI District- Nawada

Ratan Manjhi Son of Chetu Manjhi @ Chetu Mushar Resident of Village -  
Chamotha (Jobkala), P.S. - Rajouli, District - Nawada.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Man Mohan Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Md. Iftekhar Mahmood, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH**  
**ORAL ORDER**

2      14-10-2025                      Heard Mr. Man Mohan Kumar, learned counsel  
appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. Md. Iftekhar  
Mahmood, learned APP appearing on behalf of the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in connection  
with Rajouli P.S. Case No. 607 of 2024 registered under Section  
30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition & Excise Act, 2016/Amendment  
Act, 2022.

3. As per the allegation made in the FIR, total 60 liters  
of illicit liquor was recovered from a notified forest area.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the  
petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has  
falsely been implicated in the present case. Total 60 liters of



illicit liquor was recovered from a notified forest area but FIR has been lodged under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition & Excise Act, 2016/Amendment Act, 2022 and not under Section 31 read along with Section 41 of the Indian Forest Act. Due to personal enmity with the petitioner a false case, under Section 30 of the Bihar Prohibition & Excise Act, has been lodged against the petitioner. On these grounds, the petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail.

6. Considering the nature of allegation made against the petitioner, the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned District Court where the case is pending in connection with Rajouli P.S. Case No. 607 of 2024 , subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

**7. The District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and if it is found that the petitioner is involved in some other cases as what has**



**been stated in Para-3 of the bail petition, this order will  
automatically lose its force.**

**(Purnendu Singh, J)**

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