

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.73374 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-341 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Banka

1. Mannu Kumar Sharma @ Mannu Kumar S/O Rampravesh Sharma R/O Village- Agjaiba, Bangali Tola, P.S.- Saurbazar, District- Saharsa
2. Raben sharma S/O Jainarayan Sharma R/O Village- Agjaiba, Bangali Tola, P.S.- Saurbazar, District- Saharsa

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

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

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH MISHRA

ORAL ORDER

3 16-12-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioners seek bail in connection with Banka Excise PS Case No. 341 of 2025 instituted for the offences under Sections 30(a) & 32(3) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that 227.25 liters foreign liquor was recovered from Tata Magic.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are innocent and have falsely been implicated in the present case. No incriminating material has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioners. The petitioners have



got no concern with the alleged recovery of liquor. It is submitted that names of the petitioners have surfaced in this case as being driver and co-driver of the vehicle in question, respectively, and they were oblivious of the fact that illicit liquor was laden in the vehicle. The petitioners are in custody since 30.08.2025 and have got no 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 petitioners.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and the period of custody undergone by the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners.

7. Let the petitioners be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.15,000/- (Fifteen thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Banka Excise PS Case No. 341 of 2025.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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