

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.74450 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-31 Year-2025 Thana- ARARIA District- Araria

Manojmehto @ Rakesh Mahto @ Rajeev Ranjan S/o Maheshwar Mahto R/o
Village- Malpur, Agrail, P.S.- Sakara, District- Muzaffarpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Rambabu Yadav, Adv.

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

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

2 28-11-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned A.P.P for the State.

2. The petitioner has preferred this application for grant of regular bail in connection with Araria P.S. Case No. 31 of 2025 dated 26.01.2025 registered for the offence punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution case, total 2070 litres of illicit foreign liquor was recovered from the truck. It is further alleged that the petitioner is involved in the business of illicit liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in this case. It is further submitted that the petitioner is not named



in the FIR and the name of the petitioner has surfaced during the course of investigation. The petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the seized vehicle. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner and the petitioner has no concern with the alleged recovery. The co-accused person has already been granted regular bail by this court vide order dated 21.04.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. No. 22386/2025. The petitioner has 28 criminal antecedents in which he is on bail as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail petition. The petitioner is in custody since 02.08.2025.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the bail petition of the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case as well as the period of custody, the petitioner above-named, is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand Only) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Court concerned, Araria, in connection with Araria P.S. Case No. 31 of 2025 with the conditions :-

(i) The petitioner is directed to remain physically present before the learned Court below on each and every date, failing which on two consecutive dates without reasonable cause, the bail bond of



the petitioner is liable to be cancelled.

(ii) If the petitioner is found involved in similar nature of offence in future, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of his bail bonds.

7. The application stands allowed.

(Chandra Prakash Singh, J)

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