

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.78199 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-12 Year-2018 Thana- GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COMP.
District- Gaya

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Meghu Manjhi S/o- Late Jagruk Manjhi @ Jagrup Manjhi Resident of
Village- Padariya, Bhui Toli, P.S.- Belaganj, District- Gaya

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ajay Kumar Sinha, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Tarkeshwar Nath Thakur, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

- 2 02-12-2025 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned A.P.P. for the State.
2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case
registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(d) of the
Bihar Excise Act.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and allegation is of
recovery of 460 kgs of fermented Jawa Mahua from a place near
a canal.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner was not apprehended from the spot as such nothing
was recovered from his conscious possession and even alleged
recovery is from a place which does not belong to the petitioner



and is accessible to public at large and he came to be implicated based on secret information which is the easiest way to implicate someone. It is also submitted that police in mechanical manner investigates and implicates either at the instance of *Chowkidar*, local person, confessional statement or secret information without holding a proper investigation

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Trial Court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on **Provisional anticipatory bail** on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Trial Court where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Excise P.S. Case No. 12 of 2018 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

7. It is made clear that thereafter the learned Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even one case then it would be presumed that petitioner, for the



purposes of seeking anticipatory bail, had concealed his antecedent before this Court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed, but after verification if it is found that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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