

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.82450 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-191 Year-2025 Thana- BHELDI District- Saran

Vikash Kumar @ Sarangi Mahto @ Paneer Mahto S/O Sarangi Mahto @ Shiv
jee Mahto R/O Village- Bheldi, Police Station- Bheldi, District- Saran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Dhananjay Kumar Tiwary, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Bishweshwar Ram, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY

ORAL ORDER

2 10-12-2025 Heard the parties.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Bheldi P.S. Case No. 191 of 2025 for the offence under section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act lodged on 13.07.2025 by the informant, Santosh Kumar Shama.

3. As per the prosecution story, two persons riding motorcycle was intercepted. One person managed to escape, the other person namely, Harshit Kumar was taken into custody and there is recovery/seizure of 80 liters of country-made liquor and he gave the name of the petitioner which led to the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that neither he has criminal antecedent nor the vehicle belongs to him only because he was named by Harshit Kumar, implicated.

5. Further, learned counsel for the petitioner relied on the judgment of the 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** wherein it has been 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.

6. Learned APP opposes the prayer submitting that the person arrested named him.

7. Taking into account the submissions of the parties and the judgment in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)**, as also that nothing has been recovered from his conscious possession and he has no criminal antecedent, in that background, this Court is inclined to extend him the privilege of anticipatory bail with conditions.

8. Let the petitioner be released on bail in the event of arrest or surrender within a period of four weeks from the receipt of this order, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Exclusive Special Court, Excise Act-I, Saran at Chapra in connection with Bheldi P.S. Case No. 191 of 2025 subject to the following conditions:

(i) one of the bailor should be the family member/relative of the petitioner who shall provide official



document to show his/her bona fide;

(ii) the petitioner shall appear on each and every date before the Trial Court and failure to do so for two consecutive dates without plausible reason will entail cancellation of his bail bond by the Trial Court itself;

(iii) the petitioner shall appear before the concerned police station every fortnight for six months to mark his attendance and after the end of the period, the certificate shall be submitted before the Trial Court failing which steps shall be taken for the cancellation of the bail bonds;

(iv) the petitioner shall in no way try to induce or promise or threat the witnesses or tamper with the evidences, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of the bail bonds;

(v) the petitioner shall desist from committing any criminal offence again, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of his bail bonds.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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