

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.83426 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-320 Year-2025 Thana- DORIGANJ District- Saran

Ranjan Chaudhary S/o Late Suresh Choudhary R/o Village- Bhairapur
(Nijamat), P.S.- Doriganj, District- Saran at Chapra

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Avinash Kumar Pandey, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Manoj Kumar, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY
ORAL ORDER

2 17-12-2025 Heard the parties.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Doriganj P.S. Case No. 320 of 2025 for the offence under sections 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, lodged on 06.09.2025 by the informant, Ram Nath Jha.

3. As per the prosecution story, the informant alleged that in course of patrolling, the Police reached near a lane and near the house of Bharat Shah, there is recovery/seizure of 25 liters country made liquor, the locals gave the name of petitioner. This led to the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that only because of criminal antecedent, he has been named. Nothing has been recovered from his conscious possession and the last submission is that without accepting the allegation or outcome



of the petition the petitioner intends to pay Rs.5,000/- by Demand Draft issued by the local branch of the State Bank of India to the District Legal Services Authority, Saran at Chapra for the purchase of flower pots for the Civil Court Campus, Saran at Chapra.

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 he has criminal antecedent.

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, in that background, this Court is inclined to extend him the privilege of anticipatory bail with conditions subject to payment of Rs.5,000/- by Demand Draft issued by the local



branch of the State Bank of India/any Nationalized Bank to the District Legal Services Authority, Saran at Chapra, for the purchase of flower pots for the Civil Court Campus, Saran at Chapra and the receipt of the expenditure shall be submitted to the Trial Court by the District Legal Services Authority, Saran at Chapra.

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 3rd Exclusive Special Excise-Judge, Saran at Chapra in connection with Doriganj P.S. Case No. 320 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 month 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.

9. Let a copy of the order be communicated to the learned Principal District & Sessions Judge, Saran at Chapra for perusal and needful.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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