

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.83429 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-561 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Kaimur (Bhabua)

Sonu Rawat @ Sonu Kumar S/o Sri Bhandari Rawat Resident of Vill. -
Darauli, P.S - Durgawati, Dist.- Kaimur at Bhabua

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Dharmendra Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Syed Mojibur Rahman, 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 Excise Bhabua P.S. Case No. 561 of 2025 for the offence under sections 30(a), 32(1)(2) and 42(1)(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, lodged on 08.09.2025 by the informant, Linkan Kumar.

3. As per the prosecution story, the Police during the patrolling upon secret information, recovered/seized 62.640 liter country made liquor from the parked Tempo, the petitioner being owner, the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he being the owner had lend the Tempo to the driver and got implicated and has no criminal antecedent, if granted relief, he shall be diligently appearing in trial.

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 Tempo belong to him.

7. Taking into account the submissions of the parties and the judgment in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)**, as also that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent and an undertaking has been given that he shall be diligently appearing in trial, 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 Special Judge, Excise Court No.2, Kaimur at Bhabua in connection with Excise Bhabua P.S. Case No. 561 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.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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