

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.87951 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-253 Year-2025 Thana- BHAWANIPUR District- Purnia

Pankaj Chaudhary @ Pankaj Kumar Chaudhary S/O Late Vakil Chaudhary
Resident of village- Bhawandevi tola, P.S.- Bhawanipur, Dist- Purnea

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Raj Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Md. Anzarul Haque Sahara, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH
MISHRA**

ORAL ORDER

2 18-12-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with
Bhawanipur P.S. Case No. 253 of 2025, instituted for the
offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition
and Excise Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that 100.50 liters
liquor was recovered from the house of petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner is innocent and has falsely been implicated in the
present case. No incriminating material has been recovered from
the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner has got
no concern with the alleged recovery of liquor. Learned counsel



for the petitioner also submits that the petitioner was not arrested on spot. Name of the petitioner has transpired in this case on the basis of confessional statement made by co-accused, namely, Rajendra Chaudhary and the same has got no evidentiary value. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been arrested only on the basis of suspicion. The petitioner is in custody since 19.11.2025 and has got six criminal antecedents in which he is on bail in five cases. There is no compliance of Section 103 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and the period of custody undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Let the petitioner be released on bail ***after framing of charge, if not already framed***, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Bhawanipur P.S. Case No. 253 of 2025, subject to the following conditions:

(I) One of the bailors shall be own/close member of the family of the petitioner.



(II) The petitioner shall appear on each and every date fixed at the trial. In case of default in such appearance on two consecutive dates, the Trial Court will have liberty to cancel the bail bonds of the petitioner.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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