

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.4152 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-262 Year-2024 Thana- SIKANDRA District- Jamui

Vijay Verma @ Vijay Sao aged about-66 years (male) S/O Late Kishun Sao,
resident of village- Sikandra Dom Toli, P.S.- Sikandra, District- Jamui

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Pankaj Kumar Sinha, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mrs. Anita Kumari, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 12-02-2025 Heard Mr. Pankaj Kumar Sinha, learned counsel

appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mrs. Anita Kumari,

learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection
with Sikandra P.S. Case No. 262 of 2024 registered for the
offence punishable under Section 30 (a) of the Bihar Prohibition
and Excise Act as amended up-to-date.

3. Allegation is of recovery of 45 litres of country-
made liquor from the house of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated
in the case due to local village politics. Petitioner has no
concern with the seized liquor nor he is involved in trade of
liquor in any manner. The room from which 45 litres country-



made liquor was recovered, was rented out to one Gauri Devi. Petitioner has clean antecedent. On these grounds, petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner and submits that due to sale and consumption of illicit liquor, day after day, hooch tragedy occurs and the State Officials of different department appears to have facilitated smuggling and trade of illicit liquor inside the State of Bihar. As such, involvement of the petitioner cannot be ruled out from illicit trade of liquor.

6. Considering the nature of allegation made in the FIR, the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his/her arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Excise Court-I, Jamui, in connection with Sikandra P.S. Case No. 262 of 2024, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. If any other case is



pending against the petitioner as what has been stated in
paragraph no. 3, this order will lose its force automatically.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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