

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.886 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-314 Year-2023 Thana- KANTI District- Muzaffarpur

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Gaurav Mendiratta S/O Ram Swaroop Mendiratta R/O Mohalla- Ward No.-
03, Sushil Nagar Sohna, P.S- Sohna, Distt.- Gurgaon, State- Haryana.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Yugal Kishore, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Md. Nazir Ansari, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 19-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. Petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 414 of the Indian Penal Code as well as Sections 30(a), 32(i), (ii), 36 and 41(i), (ii) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016-18.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and allegation is of recovery of 341.28 litres of liquor from a car. It is next submitted that petitioner was not arrested from the spot, as such, nothing was recovered from his conscious possession and he came to be implicated based on the fact that he is owner of the seized vehicle. It is next submitted that no prudent person would use his own vehicle for committing an occurrence and thus,



would create evidence against himself and hence, would get implicated. It is also submitted that petitioner was completely unaware that Rahul Kumar would misuse the vehicle in the manner as alleged, who was also apprehended from the spot along with four named accused persons.

4. Learned A.P.P. opposes the anticipatory bail application.

5. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner, above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks, is directed to be released on provisional anticipatory bail on his furnishing bail-bond in the sum of Rs.500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Judge, Court No.-II, Muzaffarpur in connection with Kanti P.S. Case No.314 of 2023, subject to the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S.

6. The application stands allowed.

7. It is made clear that the learned trial Court after accepting the provisional bail bond of the petitioner shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event, if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even one case, then it



would be presumed that petitioner for the purposes of obtaining anticipatory bail had concealed his antecedent before this Court, in that event, the present provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed, but if on verification, it is found that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent, in that event, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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