

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.3571 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-134 Year-2025 Thana- MANJHAUL District- Begusarai

Sudhir Sahni S/O Late Basudeo Sahni R/O Village- Bich Khanna Tola, P.S-
Manjhaul, Dist- Begusarai.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Nakul Kumar Jamuar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Sanjay Kumar, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 29-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. Petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered
for the offence punishable under Section 30(a) of Bihar
Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner has antecedents of two cases under the Excise Act and
allegation is of recovery of 80 litres of liquor from a motorcycle
and two bags. It is next submitted that petitioner was not
arrested from the spot, as such, nothing was recovered from his
conscious possession and even alleged recovery is from a place
which does not belong to the petitioner and is not the owner of
the seized vehicle and he came to be implicated at the instance
of Chowkidar with whom he is on an inimical term. It is also



submitted that once an accused is implicated in a case relating to excise, the police starts implicating mechanically either at the instance of Chowkidar, local person, confessional statement or secret information without holding a proper investigation.

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.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Excise Judge-I, Begusarai in connection with Manjhaul P.S. Case No.134 of 2025, 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 antecedents of more than two cases, 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 has antecedents of only two cases, in that event, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

8. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner, based on instruction, submits that petitioner undertakes to deposit an amount of Rs.2500/- with Advocates' Association, Patna High Court within a period of two weeks from today.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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