

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.1332 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-155 Year-2025 Thana- RAGHUNATHPUR District- Siwan

1. Ajay Manjhi @ Ajay Kumar Manjhi S/o- Rudal Manjhi Village- Laxman Dumari PS-Raghunathpur Distt- Siwan
2. Rudal Manjhi S/o- Ramashish Manjhi Village- Laxman Dumari PS- Raghunathpur Distt- Siwan

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Raghwendra Pratap Singh

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Shaheen Begum

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 21-01-2026 **1.** Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and
learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioners apprehend their arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Excise Act.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are person with clean antecedent and allegation is of recovery of 56 litres of liquor from a place under a bridge.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners were not arrested from the spot as such nothing was recovered from their conscious possession and even the alleged recovery is from a place which does not belong to the



petitioners and is accessible to public at large and they came to be implicated at the instance of Chowkidar but then it is submitted that if the Chowkidar was aware about the involvement of the petitioners in the occurrence, then why he did not inform the police prior to institution of the instant FIR, which casts an aspersion on the case of the prosecution. It is also submitted that it appers that the Chowkidar, in order to save the real culprit, falsely implicated the petitioners, when petitioners admittedly are persons with clean antecedent.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioners.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, the petitioners above-named, in the event of their arrest or surrender before the learned trial court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on **provisional anticipatory bail** on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned trial court where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Raghunathpur P.S. Case No. 155 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section Section 482(2) of the BNSS.



7. It is made clear that thereafter the learned Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioners and in the event if it is found that petitioners have antecedent of even one case then it would be presumed that petitioners, for the purposes of seeking anticipatory bail, had concealed their antecedent before this Court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed with respect to that petitioner who had concealed his criminal antecedent before this Court, but after verification if it is found that petitioners are person with clean antecedent in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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