

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.4444 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-495 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Banka

Sapan Pandit Son of Bholanath Pandit Resident of village - Khijuria, P.S.-
Fatehpur, District - Jamtara (Jharkhand).

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sudhir Kumar Mishra, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Akbar Ali, APP

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

ORAL ORDER

2 27-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned APP
for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Banka
Excise PS Case No. 495 of 2025 instituted for the offences
under Section/s 30(a) & 32(3) of the Bihar Prohibition and
Excise Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that 764.625 liters
foreign liquor was recovered from pickup vehicle.

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. It is submitted



that name of the petitioner has surfaced in this case as being driver of the vehicle in question and he was oblivious of the fact that illicit liquor was laden in the vehicle. The petitioner is in custody since 04.12.2025 and has got no criminal antecedent/s. There is no compliance of Section 103 of the BNSS, 2023.

5. Learned A.P.P. 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, clean antecedent of the petitioner 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/- (Fifteen thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Banka Excise PS Case No. 495 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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