

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.8362 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-446 Year-2025 Thana- SIRDALA District- Nawada

Manoj Rajbanshi, aged about 35 years (Male), S/o Late Bindeshwari
Rajbanshi, Resident of Village- Pirauta, P.S.- Sirdalla, District- Nawada

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Sheo Kumar Prasad, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Umeshanand Pandit, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 17-02-2026 Heard Mr. Sheo Kumar Prasad, learned counsel
appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. Umeshanand
Pandit, learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection
with Sirdalla P.S. Case No. 446 of 2025 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 210 litres of illicit
liquor from a bush.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated
in the present case. Petitioner has no concern with the alleged
seized liquor nor he is involved in trade of illicit liquor in any
manner. The name of the petitioner has been disclosed by



chaukidaar and co-villagers due to previous enmity. The recovery was made from a bush, which is an open place and easily accessible to anyone. 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.

6. Considering the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, the fact that the recovery of 210 litres of illicit liquor was made from a bush, which is an open place and easily accessible to any one and also the fact that the State has failed to implement its liquor policy in its true spirit, 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. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned District Court where the case is pending, in connection with Sirdalla P.S. Case No. 446 of 2025, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

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.

8. The present bail application is disposed of.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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