

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.8503 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-915 Year-2022 Thana- CHAPRA MUFFASIL District- Saran

Amarjit Manjhi @ Amardip Manjhi Son of Kishun Manjhi Resident of
Village- Sadha, P.S.- Muffasil, District- Saran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Alok Kumar Alok, Adv.

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY

ORAL ORDER

2 17-02-2026 Heard Mr. Alok Kumar Alok, learned counsel for the
petitioner and the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Chapra Muffasil P.S. Case No. 915 of 2022 for the offence under sections 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution story, on secret information, the Police raided the place and altogether, 140 country made liquor recovered/seized. This led to the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that so far as he is concerned, there is allegation of recovery/seizure of 15 liter country made liquor, nothing has been recovered from his conscious possession nor he has criminal antecedent

5. Further, learned counsel for the petitioner relied on



the judgment of the Full Bench of Hon'ble Patna High Court in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar** reported in **2019 (2) PLJR 1089** wherein it has been held that an application for anticipatory bail in a case arising out of Bihar Excise and Prohibition Act can be maintained, despite the bar under Section 76(2) of the Act, if on the basis of allegation made in the FIR, no offence under the said provision is made out.

6. Learned APP opposes the prayer submitting that the recovery/seizure is just opposite to the house of the petitioner and as such, he has rightly been named in the FIR.

7. Taking into account the submissions of the parties and the judgment in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)**, as also that recovery is not from the house but opposite to it, he do not have criminal antecedent. Considering the submission that nothing has been recovered from his conscious possession, in that background, this Court is inclined to extend him the privilege of anticipatory bail with conditions.

8. However, if it is found that contrary to the statement made in paragraph 3, the petitioner has criminal antecedent, the present order shall become infructuous.

9. Let the petitioner be released on bail in the event of arrest or surrender within a period of four weeks from the



receipt of this order, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Additional District and Sessions Judge-II-cum-Exclusive Special Excise Court No.-I, Saran at Chapra in connection with Chapra Muffasil P.S. Case No. 915 of 2022 subject to the following conditions:

(i) one of the bailor should be the family member/relative of the petitioner who shall provide official document to show his/her bona fide;

(ii) the petitioner(s) shall be appearing before the Police Station as and when required for co-operating in the investigation;

(iii) the petitioner shall appear on each and every date before the Trial Court and failure to do so for two consecutive dates without plausible reason will entail cancellation of his bail bond by the Trial Court itself;

(iv) the petitioner shall appear before the concerned police station every fortnight for six months to mark his attendance and after the end of the period, the certificate shall be submitted before the Trial Court failing which steps shall be taken for the cancellation of the bail bonds;

(v) the petitioner shall in no way try to induce or



promise or threat the witnesses or tamper with the evidences,
failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for
cancellation of the bail bonds;

(vi) the petitioner shall desist from committing any
criminal offence again, failing which the State shall be at liberty
to take steps for cancellation of his bail bonds.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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