

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.10918 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-846 Year-2025 Thana- SITAMARHI District- Sitamarhi

Harendra Paswan S/O Dilip Paswan Resident of Village- Ward No 16,
Chakmahila, P.S- Sitamarhi, Disrtict- Sitamarhi.

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Madhumay Madhup
For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Pronoti Singh

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK KUMAR SINHA
ORAL ORDER**

2 17-02-2026 Heard learned Counsel for the petitioner and
learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offence punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act, 2016.

3. As per the prosecution case, the recovery is of 173.20 liters of foreign liquor from the house of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the name of the petitioner has surfaced in the case on account of suspicion. No recovery has been made from the physical and conscious possession of the petitioner and from the reading of the FIR it appears that his name has come up on the basis of confessional statement of co-accused which carries no evidentiary value. There is no independent witness to the said



seizure list and the petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

5. The application is opposed by the learned APP for the State.

6. Considering the fact that no recovery has been made from the physical conscious possession of the petitioner and from reading of the FIR it appears that his name has come up on the basis of confessional statement of co-accused which carries no evidentiary value and further given the fact that the petitioner is a person with clean antecedent, let the petitioner, above named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the Court below within four weeks, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Special Judge, Exclusive Excise Court-02, Sitamarhi in connection with Sitamarhi P.S. Case No. 846 of 2025, subject to the condition laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure/Section 482 (2) of the B.N.S.S., 2023 and subject to the further condition that:-

(i) the petitioner shall co-operate in the investigation/trial.

(ii) the learned Court would, however, verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case it is found that



the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the Court below shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, it is expected that the verification process would be done expeditiously without causing any delay.

(Alok Kumar Sinha, J)

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