

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.13063 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-139 Year-2025 Thana- KHUTAUNA District- Madhubani

SAVAN KUMAR @ BITTU KUMAR S/O Ramesh Kumar @ Ramesh Kumar Sah @ Ramesh Prasad R/O Vill and P.S.- Khutauna, Dist.- Madhubani.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Jaishankar Kumar Yadav, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Asha Kumari, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 15-04-2026 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 190, 191(2), 191(3), 109(1), 121(1), 132, 121(2), 352, 351(2), 274 and 275 of the BNS, 2023 read with Section 30(a) of the Bihar Excise Act.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and allegation is of recovery of 930 ml of liquor from Khutauna Jainagar road near house of Jaiprakash Narayan.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner was not apprehended from the spot as such nothing



was recovered from his conscious possession and even alleged recovery is from a place which does not belong to the petitioner and came to be implicated based on confessional statement of apprehended accused in police custody which does not have any evidentiary value. It is next submitted that after amendment in the excise act in the year 2018, the concept of deemed possession and presumed offender has been done away with.

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

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of his 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) 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 Khutauna P.S. Case No. 139 of 2025 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

7. It is made clear that thereafter the learned Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even one case then it would be presumed that petitioner, for the purposes of



seeking anticipatory bail, had concealed his antecedent before this Court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed, but after verification if it is found that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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