

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15444 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-111 Year-2025 Thana- NOORSARAI District- Nalanda

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1. Ranjeet Yadav @ Ranjeet Kumar S/o Surendra Yadav R/o Village - Malbigha, P.S - Noorsarai, District - Nalanda
 2. Masudan Kumar @ Masudan Yadav @ Madhusudan Kumar S/o Surendra Yadav R/o Village - Malbigha, P.S - Noorsarai, District - Nalanda

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Satya Prakash

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms.Pushpa Sinha.1

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 16-03-2026 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned A.P.P. for the State.

 2. The petitioners apprehend their arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Excise Act.

 3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner no. 1 has antecedent of four cases out of which three cases are under the Excise Act and petitioner no. 2 has antecedent of nine cases out of which seven cases are under the Excise Act and allegation is of recovery of 5 litres of liquor from a place near Andhera river.

 4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the



petitioners were not arrested from the spot as such nothing was recovered from their conscious possession and even the alleged recovery is from a place which does not belong to the petitioners and is accessible to public at large and they came to be implicated at the instance of *Chowkidar* with whom they are on an inimical term. It is also submitted that if the Chowkidar was aware about the involvement of the petitioners in the occurrence, then why he did not inform the police prior to institution of the instant FIR, which casts an aspersion on the case of the prosecution. It is further submitted that once an accused is implicated in a case relating to excise, the police starts implicating mechanically either at the instance of Chowkidar, local person, confessional statement or secret information without holding a proper investigation.

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

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, the petitioners above-named, in the event of their arrest or surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be released on **provisional anticipatory bail** on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 45,000/- (Rupees Forty-five Thousand) each 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 Noorsarai P.S. Case No. 111 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

7. It is made clear that thereafter the learned Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioners and in the event if it is found that petitioner no. 1 has antecedent of more than four cases and petitioner no. 2 has antecedent of more than nine cases then it would be presumed that petitioners, for the purposes of seeking anticipatory bail, had concealed their antecedent before this Court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed with respect to that petitioner who had concealed his criminal antecedent before this Court, but after verification if it is found that petitioner no. 1 has antecedent of four cases and petitioner no. 2 has antecedent of nine cases in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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