

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.15842 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-508 Year-2019 Thana- NAUBATPUR District- Patna

Vikash Manjhi @ Vikash Manzi Son of Bihari Manjhi @ Taleshwawr Manjhi
@ Taleshwar Manjhi Resident of Village - Shrinagar Mushari, Balathkur,
Karai, Police Station - Naubatpur, District - Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ravi Shanker Pankaj, Adv.

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN
ORAL ORDER

2 25-03-2026 Heard Learned Counsel for the petitioner and
Learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending arrest in connection with Naubatpur P.S. Case No.508 of 2019, for the offence punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2016, which is pending before the Court of Special Judge, Excise Act, Danapur, Patna.

3. As per the prosecution, the total recovery of 10 litres of illicit Mahua liquor have alleged to be made, which is the subject matter of the present case.

4. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. Counsel also submits that petitioner was not present on the place of



occurrence and his name has been transpired only on suspicion. Counsel further submits that criminal antecedent of the petitioner is not clean as there are two cases pending against him in which he is on bail in all the cases, but one case is relating to excise matter.

5. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that criminal antecedent of the petitioner is not clean as there are two cases pending against him and this aspect must be taken into consideration.

6. In the present facts and circumstances, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is hereby rejected.

7. However, trial court is directed to consider the regular bail application of the petitioner, if he surrenders within 6 weeks from today and prays for regular bail, then trial court shall pass order on merit without being prejudice of the present order preferably on the same day.

(Dr. Anshuman, J)

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