

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.20926 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-271 Year-2025 Thana- MALAHI District- East Champaran

Kanti Kumar @ Kranti Kumar, Male, Aged about 27 Years, Son of Panalal Prasad @ Pannalal Prasad, Resident of Village/Mohalla - Gujrauliya, Police Station - Malahi, District - East Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Anil Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Umesh Lal Verma, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 16-04-2026 Heard Mr. Anil Kumar, learned counsel
appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. Umesh Lal Verma,
learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in connection with Malahi P.S. Case No. 271 of 2025 registered for the offence punishable under Section 30 (a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act as amended up-to-date.

3. Allegation is of recovery of 29 litres of illicit country-made liquor from a poultry farm belonging to the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. Petitioner has no concern with the alleged



seized liquor or with the poultry farm, from where 29 litres of illicit country-made liquor was recovered, nor he is involved in trade or consumption of illicit liquor in any manner. Name of the petitioner has surfaced on the basis of confessional statement made by co-accused Mithilesh Kumar, who was apprehended on the spot. Petitioner has clean antecedent. On these grounds, petitioner seeks to be released on pre-arrest bail.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the rival submissions made on behalf of the parties, as well as, the fact that name of the petitioner has surfaced on the basis of confessional statement made by co-accused Mithilesh Kumar, who was apprehended on the spot, petitioner has clean antecedent and also the fact that the State has failed to implement its liquor policy in its true spirit, the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on pre-arrest bail, in the event of his/her arrest or surrender before the learned District Court within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned District Court where the case is pending, in connection with Malahi P.S. Case No. 271 of 2025, subject to



the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

7. The learned District Court is directed to verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner as stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail application. If any other case is pending against the petitioner as what has been stated in paragraph no. 3, this order will lose its force automatically.

8. The present bail application is disposed of.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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