

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.31347 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-279 Year-2025 Thana- VIJAYEPUR District- Gopalganj

Nanku Mishra @ Ratnesh Mishra @ Nanku Tiwari S/O Jagdish Mishra R/O
village - Dighwa, P.S. - Bhorey, District -Gopalganj

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Anand Vardhan

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Tapeswar Sharma

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 15-05-2026 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 offence punishable under Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022 and Section 317(4) and 317(5) of the BNS, 2023.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has antecedent of three cases and allegation is of recovery of 22.200 litres of liquor from three motorcycles. It is next submitted that petitioner was not arrested from the spot as such nothing was recovered from his conscious possession and is not the owner of any of the seized vehicle and he came to be implicated based on confessional statement of Rishikesh and Manjeet in police custody which does not have any evidentiary



value. It is also 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.

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

5. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be released on provisional anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees fifteen thousand) 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 Vijaypur P.S. Case No.279/2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S.

6. It is made clear that the learned trial court thereafter shall verify the criminal antecedents of the petitioner and in the event if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of more than three cases, in that event, it would be presumed that petitioner had concealed his antecedent before this court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed but if on verification it is found that petitioner has antecedent of three



cases, in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall
be confirmed forthwith.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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