

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.34602 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-422 Year-2025 Thana- RIGA District- Sitamarhi

Vivek Kumar S/o Nathuni Singh Resident of village- Chainpur Kapraul
Siroman,P.S.- Riga, District- Sitamarhi

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Dwij Raj, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Choubey Jawahar, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY

ORAL ORDER

2 19-05-2026

1. Heard the parties through virtual mode.

2. The petitioner is apprehending arrest in connection with Riga P.S. Case No. 422 of 2025 instituted under Sections 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution story, on 01.11.2025, during patrolling duty, the police party, acting on secret information, reached Bhavdepur Darbar orchard and intercepted a Toto vehicle bearing registration no. BR-30ER-4611, from which 82 liters of Nepali Saufi wine was allegedly recovered. It is further alleged that one accused person was apprehended at the spot whereas another succeeded in fleeing away. This led to the FIR.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has no criminal antecedent and that the petitioner is the owner of the vehicle.



5. Further, learned counsel for the petitioner relied on the judgment of the Full Bench of Hon'ble Patna High Court in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar** reported in **2019(2) PLJR 1089** wherein it has been held that an application for anticipatory bail in a case arising out of Bihar Excise and Prohibition Act can be maintained, despite the bar under Section 76(2) of the Act, if on the basis of allegation made in the FIR, no offence under the said provision is made out.

6. Learned APP, Mr. Choubey Jawahar opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail.

7. Taking into account the submissions of the parties and the judgment in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav (supra)**, as also that nothing has been recovered from his conscious possession of the petitioner, in that background this Court is inclined to extend him the privilege of anticipatory bail.

8. Let the petitioner be released on bail, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the concerned court within a period of four weeks from the receipt of this order, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each in connection with Excise Riga P.S. Case No. 422 of 2025 to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Excise Court No. I, Sitamarhi subject to the conditions as laid



down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C. as also the other conditions.

(i) one of the bailor should be the family member/relative of the petitioner who shall provide official document (Aadhar Card/Driving License/Voter ID/Pan Card etc.) to show his/her bona fide;

(ii) the petitioner shall be appearing before the police station as and when required for cooperating in the investigation;

(iii) the petitioner shall appear on each and every date before the Trial Court and failure to do so for two consecutive dates without plausible reason will entail cancellation of his bail bond by the Trial Court itself;

(iv) the petitioner shall appear before the concerned police station every day for one month and later every fortnight for next six months to mark his attendance and at the end of the period a certificate be submitted before the Trial Court failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of bail bonds;

(v) the petitioner shall in no way try to induce or promise or threat the witnesses or tamper with the evidences, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for



cancellation of the bail bonds;

(vi) the petitioner shall desist from committing any criminal offence again, failing which the State shall be at liberty to take steps for cancellation of his bail bonds.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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