

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.36493 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-119 Year-2026 Thana- MANER District- Patna

Manoj Manjhi Son of Late Birju Manjhi @ Shambhu Manjhi @ Jok Manjhi
Resident of Village- Ajad Nagar, Sattar, Post- Sattar, P.S.- Maner, District-
Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Anshuman, Advocate

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

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN
ORAL ORDER

2 04-06-2026 The Court proceeding is being conducted through
virtual mode.

2. Heard Learned Counsel for the petitioner and
Learned APP for the State.

3. The present criminal miscellaneous application has
been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha
Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as ‘the BNSS, 2023’) for
grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner who apprehends arrest
in connection with Maner P.S. Case No. 119 of 2026, lodged on
09.02.2026, under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and
Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022.

4. As per the prosecution, total recovery of 42.5 litres
of country made liquor has been made which is the subject



matter of the present case.

5. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. Counsel submits that recovery has been made from the house of Surju Manjhi. The house of the petitioner is 500 meter away from his uncle's house. Counsel submits that the criminal antecedent of the petitioner is clean. Counsel further submits that petitioner is ready to fulfill all the conditions whatsoever shall be imposed upon him.

6. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner but fairly submits that the antecedent of the petitioner is clean.

7. As such, in the present facts and circumstances of this case, let the above named petitioner be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of 4 weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) as mentioned in Section 2(1)(d) of the BNSS, 2023 to the satisfaction of learned Special (Excise), Danapur, Patna, in connection with Maner P.S. Case No. 119/2026, subject to the conditions as laid down U/s 482(2) of the BNSS, 2023.

8. And further condition that the Trial Court shall



verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the Trial Court shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

(Dr. Anshuman, J)

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