

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.36843 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-58 Year-2026 Thana- NAWADA MUFFASIL District- Nawada

Pravindra Kumar @ Pravendra Kumar S/O Rambhawan Paswan R/O Village
- Kharsariya, P.O - Baldha, Police Station - Nagarnausa, District- Nalanda

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ajay Mukherjee, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Sucheta Yadav, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 02-07-2026 Heard Mr. Ajay Mukherjee, learned counsel for the

petitioner and Ms. Sucheta Yadav, learned Additional Public

Prosecutor for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Nawada Muffasil P.S. Case No. 58 of 2026, F.I.R dated 15.02.2026 registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022.

3. Recovery is of 58.125 liters of foreign liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has clean antecedent and has falsely been implicated in the present case. He further submits that it appears from the F.I.R that nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner rather the recovery of



58.125 liters of foreign liquor has been made from the car in question and petitioner was not apprehended from the place of occurrence and the petitioner has been made accused merely on the ground that he is owner of the said car in question. In fact, he has given his car to his driver and he has misused the same. No case, whatsoever, would be made out against the petitioner under the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

5. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has vehemently opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner referring the provision contained in Section 76(2) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act and submitted that the pre-arrest bail would not be maintainable.

6. This court is aware of the decision of the Full Bench in the case of **Ram Vinay Yadav vs. State of Bihar** reported in **2019(2) P.L.J.R. 1089**. Having regard to the law laid down in the aforesaid judgment and the submission advanced on behalf of the parties, this Court, for the limited purpose of grant of anticipatory bail, is inclined to accept the submission of counsel for the petitioner.

7. Considering the aforesaid facts, nothing has been recovered from conscious possession of the petitioner, he has been made accused merely on the ground that he is owner of the



car in question and the petitioner has clean antecedent, let the petitioner, above named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the court below within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Exclusive Special Excise Court-1, Nawada in connection with Nawada Muffasil P.S. Case No. 58 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure and with other following conditions:-

i. Petitioner shall co-operate in the trial and shall be properly represented on each and every date fixed by the court and shall remain physically present as directed by the court and on his absence on two consecutive dates without sufficient reason, his bail bond shall be cancelled by the Court below.

ii. If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witnesses, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.

iii. And further condition that the court below 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 court below 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.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)

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