

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.37945 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-142 Year-2026 Thana- NOKHA District- Rohtas

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Dhanvarti Devi W/o Dhanji Chaudhary R/o Village- Lalganj, PS- Nokha,  
Dist- Rohtas

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajani Kant Singh

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Madan Kumar

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA**  
**ORAL ORDER**

2      17-06-2026                      1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and  
learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends her arrest in a case  
registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the  
Bihar Excise Act.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that  
petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and is a woman and  
allegation is of recovery of 10 liters of liquor from roof of the  
house of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that  
petitioner was not apprehended from the spot as such nothing  
was recovered from her conscious possession and the house in  
question is a joint family property, as such, it cannot be alleged  
with certainty that it was petitioner who had kept the liquor in



the house or the liquor kept in the house was within her knowledge and after amendment in the excise act in the year 2018, the concept of deemed possession and presumed offender has been done away with and she came to be implicated at the instance of local person, but then the name of the person who disclosed the name of the petitioner is not disclosed in the FIR which casts an aspersion on the case of the prosecution

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

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of her arrest or surrender before the learned Trial Court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on **Provisional anticipatory bail** on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) 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 Nokha P.S. Case No. 142 of 2026 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

7. It is made clear that thereafter the learned Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even



one case then it would be presumed that petitioner, for the purposes of seeking anticipatory bail, had concealed her antecedent before this Court, as such, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed, but after verification if it is found that petitioner is a person with clean antecedent in that event the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

**(Satyavrat Verma, J)**

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