

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.44697 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-86 Year-2026 Thana- PALI District- Jehanabad

MANOJ TUDU, S/o Lalji Tudu, Resident of Village- Chichi Khurd, Police
Station- Charch, DIstrict- Hazaribagh, Jharkhand

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Nilendu Kumar Choudhary, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Rana Randhir Singh, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRA SHEKHAR JHA
ORAL ORDER

2 06-07-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and

learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. The accused/petitioner is named in the FIR and apprehending his arrest in connection with Pali P.S. Case No.86 of 2026 registered under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2016.

3. Allegation against the petitioner is to engage in illegal trade/manufacturing of illicit liquor, where there is recovery of 348 litres of IMFL/country-made liquor.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that the seized illicit liquor was recovered from a Car which was found parked in a field. It is further



submitted that the petitioner's name has been surfaced in the present case solely on the ground that he is the registered owner of the seized vehicle, and not on the basis of any material demonstrating his conscious possession, involvement or complicity in the alleged offence. It is also pointed out that seizure list appears doubtful being not supported by independent witnesses rather than by police personnel. The petitioner claimed clean antecedent.

5. Learned APP opposed the prayer of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. In view of aforesaid factual submissions and by taking note of fact as recovery of illicit liquor *prima facie* not appears to be made from physical possession of this petitioner, accordingly, the petitioner above-named, who is a man of clean antecedent, in the event of his arrest or surrender in the court below within a period of four weeks from today, is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Excise Judge-I, Jehanabad in connection with



Pali P.S. Case No.86 of 2026, subject to the conditions as
laid down under Section 438(2) of the CrPC/under Section
482(2) of the BNSS.

(Chandra Shekhar Jha, J.)

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