

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.48922 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-730 Year-2025 Thana- Excise P.S. District- Kaimur (Bhabua)

Manish Ranjan S/O Sri Ram Rai Resident of Village- Bhatauli, P.O.- Derwan,
P.S.- Kudra, District- Kaimur at Bhabua.

... .. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajani Kant Pandey

For the Opposite Party/s : Mrs. Gulnar Begum

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRAVEEN KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 22-07-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

2. This application for anticipatory bail arises out of Excise P.S. Case No. 730 of 2025, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 30(a)/32(i) & 3(iii)/41(i) and 41(ii) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022.

3. As per allegation, a car was intercepted, from which altogether 97.200 liters of country made liquor was recovered and co-accused Niraj Kumar was apprehended, who was driving the vehicle.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner was not apprehended at the spot and even the co-accused has not named the petitioner in any manner. It has further been submitted that as the petitioner is owner of the car in question, he has been implicated in this case. It has further



been submitted that at the time of search and seizure, the vehicle was not under the control of the petitioner. It has further been submitted that the petitioner had given his car to co-accused Niraj Kumar and he was not aware of his evil designs. It has further been submitted that the procedure prescribed under Section 105 BNSS has not been followed with. It has lastly been submitted that the petitioner has got no criminal antecedents.

5. Learned counsel for the State opposed the prayer of anticipatory bail of the petitioner.

6. Heard the parties and perused the record.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances, let the petitioner above named, in the event of his arrest/surrender within six weeks from today in the Court below, 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 court of Special Judge, Excise Court-II, Kaimur at Bhabhua, in connection with Excise P.S. Case No. 730 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita.

8. This application is accordingly allowed.

(Praveen Kumar, J)

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