

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.51529 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-23 Year-2026 Thana- Raghunathpur District- East Champaran

Shobha Devi Wife of Lalu Manjhi Resident of Village- Sapahi, P.S.-
Raghunathpur, District- East Champaran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Manoj Kumar
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Madan Kumar

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 28-07-2026 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 25 liters of liquor from a place
behind the house of Munna Manjhi.

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 even alleged
recovery is from a place which does not belong to the petitioner,
but then is adjacent to her house. It is also submitted that



villagers are having strained relationship with her husband, Lalu, hence it appears that someone falsely implicated the petitioner in the instant case with an intent to coerce Lalu into submission.

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 Raghunathpur P.S. Case No. 23 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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