IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.76271 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC011108272026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-257 Year-2026 Thana- MEHANDIGANJ District- Patna

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Ketul Kewat @ Deepak Kumar S/o Late Surendra Kevat R/o Pratappur, Khajur Banna, Near Devi asthan, P.S. - Mehandiganj, Dist. - Patna.

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Nityanand Kumar
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Shyam Bihari Singh

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN

ORAL ORDER

2 04-11-2026 Heard Learned Counsel for the petitioner and Learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Mehandiganj P.S. Case No.257 of 2026 lodged on 22.09.2026, for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.

3. As per the prosecution, the recovery of total 5 liters of country made liquor has been made from open place, which is subject matter of the present case.

4. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. He further submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. Nothing has been recovered from the conscious

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possession of the petitioner. He further submits that said recovery has been made from open place and the petitioner has no concern. He further submits that the petitioner's name has come in this case on the basis of statement of local people, whose name has not been disclosed in the FIR.

5. Counsel submits that the criminal antecedent of the petitioner is clean and ready to fulfill all the conditions whatsoever shall be imposed upon him.

6. Learned APP for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that the antecedent of the petitioner is clean.

7. As such, in the present facts and circumstances of this case, let the above named petitioner be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of 4 weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) as mentioned in Section 2(1)(d) of the BNSS, 2023 to the satisfaction of Exclusive Special Court of Excise Patna City, in connection with Mehandiganj P.S. Case No.257 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down U/s 482(2) of the BNSS**,** 2023.

And further condition that the Trial Court shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage

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it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the Trial Court 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.

(Dr. Anshuman, J)

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