

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.1261 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-115 Year-2025 Thana- JAHANABAD District- Jehanabad

Pankaj Kumar S/o- Dinesh Prasad Gupta R/v- Vishkarma Colony  
Khemnichak, P.S - Ramkrishna Nagar, Dist- Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Binay Kumar Singh

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Mritunjay Kumar Nirala

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

4      06-04-2026                      1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and  
learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in anticipation of his  
arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under  
Sections 30(a), 32, 36 and 41 of the Excise Act.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that  
the petitioner has antecedent of four cases under the Excise Act  
and allegation is of recovery of 608 litres of liquor from a car.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that  
petitioner was not arrested from the spot, as such, nothing was  
recovered from his conscious possession and he came to be  
implicated based on the fact that he is owner of the seized  
vehicle. It is next submitted that no prudent person would use  
his own vehicle for committing a crime and thus, would create



evidence against himself and hence, would get implicated. It is further submitted that petitioner was completely unaware that Satendra Kumar would misuse the vehicle in the manner as alleged as he was also apprehended at the spot.

5. Learned A.P.P. opposes the anticipatory bail application.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner, above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks, is directed to be released on provisional anticipatory bail on his furnishing bail-bonds in the sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) 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 Jehanabad (Karauna) P. S. Case No.115 of 2025, subject to the conditions laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. The application stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that the learned trial Court after accepting the provisional bail bonds of the petitioner shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event, if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of more than four cases,



then it would be presumed that petitioner for the purposes of obtaining anticipatory bail had concealed his antecedent before this Court, in that event, the present provisional anticipatory bail order shall not be confirmed, but if on verification, it is found that petitioner has antecedent of four cases only, in that event, the provisional anticipatory bail order shall be confirmed forthwith.

**(Satyavrat Verma, J)**

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