

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.88292 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-153 Year-2025 Thana- Marnga District- Purnia

Ashish Kumar Mandal @ Ashish Kumar son of Narayan Mandal Resident Of
Village - Satjori, Ps- Goradih, Dist- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ram Prawesh Kumar, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Md. Anzarul Haque Sahara, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RUDRA PRAKASH
MISHRA**

ORAL ORDER

2 15-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in connection
with Maranga PS Case No. 153 of 2025 instituted for the
offences under Section 30(a) of the Bihar Prohibition and Excise
Act.

3. The prosecution case, in short, is that total 177
litres of illicit liquor was recovered from the tractor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that
the petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case.
The name of the petitioner transpired in this case on the basis of
disclosure made by the apprehended co-accused person.
Learned counsel further submitted that petitioner is neither the



owner nor the driver of the vehicle in question. The petitioner has got no concern with the alleged recovery of liquor. Learned counsel for the petitioner, therefore, contends that prima-facie no case is made out against the petitioner. The petitioner has one criminal antecedent. There is no compliance of Section 103 of the Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

5. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, let the petitioner above named, in the event of arrest/surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.15,000/- (Fifteen thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Court below/concerned Court in connection with Maranga PS Case No. 153 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Rudra Prakash Mishra, J)

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