IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 1279 of 2026

Dularchand Mahto, S/o Late Ramjit Mahto, aged about 60 years, resident of village – Aoura, PO – Aoura, PS – Bagodar, District – Giridih, Jharkhand **.... Petitioner**

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand **.... Opposite Party**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Birendra Kumar, Advocate
:- Mr. Shiv Prasad Singh, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Sanjay Kr. Srivastava, Advocate

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*02/**13.03.2026*** Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as well as the learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Bagodar P.S. Case No.197 of 2025 for the alleged offences registered under Sections 274, 275 and 292 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 47(a) of Excise Act pending in the Court of learned J.M. 1st Class, Giridih.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be owner of line hotel and the allegations are made of recovery of four pieces of McDowell's No.1 and five pieces of Kingfisher strong beer. He further submits that the petitioner was not present in the premises and that was kept by the staffs for their personal use.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer

and submits that recovery has been made.

5. Seeing the quantity of liquor recovered from the hotel of the petitioner, the petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned Court within two weeks and the learned Court shall release the petitioner on such terms and conditions or the sureties as the learned Court may deem fit and proper.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated 13.03.2026
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