

In the Court of Sessions Judge/Special Judge (NDPS), Patna

BAIL APPLICATION No.- 1380/2026
(Arising out of Digha P.S. Case No.360/2026)

1. Navlesh Chandra Chaudhary @ Bablu Chaudhary

2. Prince Kumar @ Prince Choudhari -----Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Bihar

-----Opposite party

Date

ORDER

15-06-2026

1. The present application for regular bail has been filed on behalf of the **accused-petitioners namely, Navlesh Chandra Chaudhary @ Bablu Chaudhary, and Prince Kumar @ Prince Choudhari**, who are incarcerated since 29.04.2026, in connection with **Digha P.S. Case No. 360/2026** dated 28.04.2026, registered under Sections 8/20(b)(ii)(A)(B)/25/27(A)/29 of NDPS Act as well as Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition and Excise Act.
2. Heard Ms. Bindu Kumari, learned counsel for the accused-petitioner and Sri Ashok Kumar Sinha, learned Spl. PP on behalf of the State.
3. The allegation against the petitioner is that on 28.04.2026, at about 08:05 hours, acting on secret information, police raided the residence of co-accused Anita Devi at Ramjichak. On noticing the police, Anita Devi attempted to flee but was apprehended. A search led to the recovery of 130 grams of ganja from her possession and premises. Based on her disclosure, the co-accused Sumiya Devi @ Shanti Devi was apprehended, from whom 45 grams of ganja and cash amounting to Rs. 3170/- were recovered. Subsequently, on disclosure of said Sumiya Devi, her house was searched, during which petitioners, Navlesh Chandra Chaudhary @ Babloo Chaudhary and Prince Kumar attempted to escape but were apprehended. From Prince Kumar's room, 359 sachets of ganja, four bottles (750 ml each) of Blendor Pride liquor totaling 3 liters, and Rs. 8000/- were recovered. From Navlesh Chandra Chaudhary's room, 133 sachets of ganja and nine large polythene bags containing ganja were seized. Altogether, 1.685 kilograms of ganja was recovered, weighed, seized, and documented in the seizure list.

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4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent, have no previous criminal antecedents, and have been falsely implicated in the present case. It was contended that no incriminating material was recovered from their personal possession and that the mandatory provisions of the NDPS Act were not duly complied with by the investigating agency. It was further submitted that the petitioners have remained in judicial custody since 29.04.2026. On these grounds, a prayer was made for the grant of regular bail.
5. *Per contra*, learned Special Public Prosecutor opposed the bail application, submitting that a total of 1.685 kilograms of ganja was recovered, which exceeds the threshold of small quantity under the NDPS Act. It was also emphasized that the investigation is still in progress and the charge sheet has not yet been filed. Considering the gravity of the allegations, it was urged that the petitioner is not entitled to regular bail.
6. Having regard to the nature of the accusations, the **recovery of 1.685 kilograms of ganja** exceeding the “small quantity” threshold under the NDPS Act; the submissions of the learned Special Public Prosecutor; and the fact that the investigation is ongoing with the charge sheet yet to be filed, this Court is of the considered view that the present case does not warrant grant of regular bail.
7. Accordingly, the application for regular bail filed on behalf of the **petitioners, Navlesh Chandra Chaudhary @ Bablu Chaudhary, and Prince Kumar @ Prince Choudhari**, stands rejected.

(Dictated)

Sd/-

(Rupesh Deo)

Sessions Judge/Special Judge (NDPS),
Patna

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