

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**Criminal Miscellaneous No.42386 of 2014**

Arising Out of PS.Case No. -48 Year- 2014 Thana -SHERGHATI District- GAYA

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Manoranjana Singh, Son of Nagdeo Singh, R/O Village – B.T. Bigha, P.S.-  
Sherghati, District – Gaya.

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

.... .... Opposite Party/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajani Kant Singh, Advocate.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Hirday Pd. Singh(App)

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR JHA**  
**ORAL ORDER**

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Heard both sides.

The petitioner seeks bail in Sherghati P.S. Case No. 48 of 2014, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 498(A), 302 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

The father of the deceased alleged that his daughter Mamta was married to the petitioner eight years ago. Mamta was also blessed with son and daughter, but her husband used to torture her for laptop and motorcycle and ultimately she was burnt to death.

Sri Yogesh Chandra Verma, the learned Sr. counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that there was no eye witness of the occurrence. The informant was duly informed about the death of Mamta. Even during the course of investigation two versions came. The first version is that the petitioner and other

family members burnt Mamta to death and another version is that the petitioner developed illicit relationship with Usha Kumari the sister of the deceased and that is why Mamta committed suicide.

On perusal of records, it appears that Mamta got burn injury and died. The informant and other family members of the informant have categorically stated that the petitioner continued to torture Mamta even after eight years of marriage with the petitioner. Other versions came that the petitioner developed illicit relationship with Usha Kumari the sister of Mamta and on such she committed suicide. In any event it was the petitioner who appears to be responsible for the death of his wife.

Considering the facts aforesaid, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner above named on bail. Accordingly, the same is rejected.

However, the trial court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same within one year from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order.

**(Prabhat Kumar Jha, J.)**

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