

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Criminal Miscellaneous No.5114 of 2018

Arising Out of PS.Case No. -106 Year- 2017 Thana -MAKHDUMPUR District- JEHANABAD

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1. Rajiv Manjhi, Son of Arjun Manjhi, Resident of Village- Sunderpur,
Police Station- Makhdumpur, District- Jehanabad.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar.

.... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Pawan Kumar Singh, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Dr. Ajeet Kumar, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE BIRENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

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Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned

Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

The petitioner is in custody in connection with
Makhdumpur P.S. Case No.106 of 2017, a case under Section
304B/34 of the Indian Penal Code, pending in the Court of Chief
Judicial Magistrate, Jehanabad.

Petitioner is husband of the victim of dowry death.
There is allegation of demand of dowry and torture for the same
soon before death. The victim died within three years of marriage
in her matrimonial house in unnatural circumstances. The
matrimonial family members of the deceased have supported the
allegation of demand of dowry and torture before the police
whereas the co-villagers of the petitioner have stated before the



police that in fact the victim was ill and only wrong which the petitioner and other family members committed that they went to earn their livelihood leaving the ill victim.

Considering the nature of allegation against the petitioner, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail for the present. Hence, the prayer for bail is refused. The learned trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same within nine months, failing which the petitioner would be at liberty to renew the prayer for bail before the learned trial judge itself, who shall pass a reasoned order.

(Birendra Kumar, J)

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