

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.24083 of 2020**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-88 Year-2017 Thana- NOWKOTHI GARHPURA District-  
Begusarai

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PAWAN JHA Son of Om Prakash Jha @ Chulho Jha Resident of Village-  
Pahsara, P.S.- Nawkothe, District- Begusarai ... Petitioner  
Versus

The State of Bihar ... Opposite Party

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner : Mr.Bipin Kumar, Advocate  
For the Opposite Party : Mr. Addl Public Prosecutor

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

2      18-09-2020                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as  
learned counsel for the State through video conferencing.

Petitioner is an accused in Nawkothe Police Station  
Case No. 88 of 2017 registered for the offence punishable under  
sections 304B/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

It is stated by the informant that she had married her  
daughter Priti Devi with the petitioner in 2012 but after  
marriage petitioner and his family members started torturing her  
and suddenly on 15.9.2017 she got information on telephone  
that all the accused persons assaulted her to death.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the  
petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence as his  
wife/the victim died by sikding from the stairs. He further  
submits that the allegations are general and omnibus and there is  
no specific allegation against the petitioner in the First  
Information Report. Petitioner is in custody since 17.9.2017.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for  
bail. He states that the instant case is of unnatural death of the  
victim at her matrimonial house which took place within five  
years of marriage. Petitioner happens to be the husband of the  
deceased and there is allegation against the petitioner and his  
family members that since the marriage in 2012 they were  
committing torture on the victim in several manners. Moreover,



charge has already framed and the matter is pending for prosecution evidence.

In view of the aforesaid discussions, I am not inclined to release the petitioner on bail. Accordingly, his prayer for bail is refused.

As the petitioner is in custody for three years, let the trial be expedited.

**(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)**

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