

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.17719 of 2022

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-157 Year-2021 Thana- KUTUMBA District- Aurangabad

1. LAICHI DEVI Wife of Suresh Mehta Resident of Village Dadhpa Bigha, P.S. Kutumba, District - Aurangabad.
2. Suresh Mehta Son of Late Lakhan Mahto Resident of Village Dadhpa Bigha, P.S. Kutumba, District - Aurangabad.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Pravin Kumar, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Dashrath Mehta, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 23-09-2022 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned A.P.P. for the State through virtual court proceedings.

The petitioner apprehends their arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Sections 304(B) and 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are persons with clean antecedent and the informant alleges that he had solemnized his daughter's marriage to Lav Kumar Mehta on 14.05.2021 and had given gifts as per ability but after few days of marriage the accused persons, including the petitioners, started demanding Rs. 5 lakh by way of dowry, it is next alleged that thereafter the in-laws of his daughter stopped



talking to her and stopped giving her food and further tortured and further on 22.09.2021 informant came to know that his daughter had been murdered by the accused persons, including the petitioners, accordingly he reached the place of occurrence and on seeing the informant the accused persons started fleeing and he saw the dead body of his daughter lying in a sack and she was strangled by a rope.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners have been falsely implicated in the present case, it is next stated that informant is not an eye-witness to the occurrence, it is also submitted that the allegation of demand of dowry, as far as the petitioners are concerned, is general and omnibus in nature. It is also submitted that petitioners are mother-in-law and father-in-law of the deceased and the husband of the deceased is in custody.

Learned A.P.P. for the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioners.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, the petitioners above-named, in the event of their arrest or surrender before the learned trial court within a period of six weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 10,000/-



(Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned trial court where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Kutumba P.S. Case No. 157 of 2021 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 (2) of the Cr.P.C.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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