

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.19633 of 2023

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-167 Year-2022 Thana- DHANARUA District- Patna

Ranju Devi, W/o Late Mukesh Sharma, R/O Vill- Nadawan, P.O.- Nadawan,
P.S.- Dhanarua, District-Patna

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Lallu Prasad, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Bishweshwar Ram, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 14-06-2023 Heard Mr. Lallu Prasad, learned counsel appearing on
behalf of the petitioner and learned Additional Public Prosecutor
for the State.

The petitioner, who is a widow *Nanad* of the
deceased, apprehends her arrest in connection with Dhanarua
P.S. Case No. 167 of 2022 registered for the offences punishable
under Sections 498(A)/304(B)/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

It is alleged that the marriage of the daughter of the
informant was solemnized with the brother of the petitioner on
21.07.2021. However, soon thereafter she was subjected to
torture and harassment on account of demand of dowry and
when the demand was not fulfilled she was killed by all the
family members of the petitioner.

It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that the



petitioner is a widow sister-in-law of the deceased and on the alleged date of occurrence she was not even present. However, only with a view to pressurize the husband of the deceased, all the family members have been made accused in this case. Further submission has been made that father-in-law and mother-in-law of the deceased, who have also been made accused in this case, have been allowed the privilege of anticipatory bail by the learned coordinate Bench of this Court in Cr. Misc. No. 20264 of 2023 and Cr. Misc. No. 20964 of 2023 vide order dated 19.05.2023. It is lastly submitted that the deceased herself committed suicide on account of some altercation, which took place between the deceased and her husband.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State opposed the bail application.

Regard being had to the submissions made on behalf of the parties and considering the fact that the petitioner is a widow sister-in-law of the deceased and the in-laws persons, having identical general and omnibus allegation, have been allowed the privilege of anticipatory bail, let the petitioner, above named, be released on bail, in the event of her arrest or surrender before the court below within a period of four weeks



from today, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Masaurhi, Patna in connection with Dhanarua P.S. Case No. 167 of 2022, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(Harish Kumar, J)

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