

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA  
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.16098 of 2024**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-560 Year-2022 Thana- KORHA District- Katihar

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GAURAV KUMAR JHA @ GOURAV KUMAR JHA @ KUMAR GAURAV  
SON OF GULAB NARAYAN JHA @ GULAB NARAYAN R/O-DIGHRI,  
P.S.-KORHA, DISTT.-KATIHAR

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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**Appearance :**

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

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

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJANI KUMAR SHARAN  
ORAL ORDER**

3      10-04-2024                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in a case registered for the  
offence punishable under Sections 498A & 307/34 of the Indian  
Penal Code and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act but  
later on Section 302 IPC was added.

3. The petitioner along with other co-accused is  
said to have poured kerosene oil on the informant and set her  
ablaze due to non-fulfillment of demand of dowry and during  
the course of treatment she died.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the  
petitioner that no such occurrence as alleged ever took place.  
He is quite innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case



merely on suspicion. It is further submitted that the informant burnt herself at the time of cooking food as she did not want to live at her matrimonial home with her husband. It is further submitted that the informant was blessed with two children who are of 12 years and 6 years. The petitioner has no criminal antecedent and has been languishing in custody since 29.09.2023.

5. Learned APP for the State vehemently opposing the bail petition submitted that considering the nature of the allegations, the petitioner does not deserve bail.

6. In the facts and circumstances of the case and the seriousness of the allegation, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. The prayer for bail is hereby rejected. However, the learned Trial Court is directed to expedite the trial.

**(Anjani Kumar Sharan, J)**

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