

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.30780 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-27 Year-2025 Thana- SAJOUR District- Bhagalpur

1. Sudhanshu Kumar Singh @ Sudhanshu Ram S/o- Late Baijnath Singh @ Baijnath Mandal Resident of Gaubrai PS- Sajour, Dist- Bhagalpur
2. Ratna Kumari @ Bhutki Devi W/o- Sudhanshu Kumar Singh Resident of Gaubrai PS- Sajour, Dist- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Balkrishna Mishra, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Meena Singh, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

3 13-08-2025 Heard learned Advocate for the petitioners and learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioners apprehend their arrest in connection with Sajour P.S. Case No.27 of 2025 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 80, 3(5) of the BNS and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

3. Marriage of the daughter of the informant was solemnized with one Amit Kumar on 13.12.2024. After marriage, she was leaving peacefully in her *sasural*; however, after some time, the son-in-law of the informant went to Delhi for work; thereafter, all the accused persons, including the petitioners started demanding dowry from the daughter of the



informant and on account of non-fulfillment of the same, she was tortured. On 06.02.2025, the informant received a phone call that his daughter hanged herself; whereupon the informant returned to his native village along with the husband of the deceased.

4. Learned Advocate for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are none else but the brother-in-law and sister-in-law of the deceased and they have been residing separately. They have no concern with the day to day affairs of the deceased and her family. To support the aforesaid contention, partition deed amongst family members have also been placed on record as Annexure-P/2 to the bail application. Taking this Court through the FIR, it is further contended that besides omnibus nature of allegation, the same has been instituted after five days of the alleged occurrence, that too when the cremation of the victim was done. During the course of investigation, it has also come that the deceased had some proximity with a boy before her marriage and her marriage was solemnized against her will; therefore she might have committed suicide.

5. On the other hand, learned Advocate for the State opposed the bail application and submitted that the deceased was done to death within one year of her marriage and the



petitioners being in-laws persons, their complicity cannot be denied.

6. Having regard to the submissions set forth by the learned Advocate for the respective parties and taking note of the fact that the petitioners are brother-in-law and sister-in-law, who have been residing separately, coupled with the delay in lodging of the FIR and the materials collected during the course of investigation, apart from the fair antecedent, let the above named petitioners, be released on bail, in the event of their arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Ten thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bhagalpur in connection Sajour P.S. Case No.27 of 2025, subject to the condition as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS, with further condition that one of the bailors shall be the own/close family members of the petitioners.

(Harish Kumar, J)

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