

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.53486 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-3 Year-2025 Thana- SALAKHUA District- Saharsa

Khushbu Devi W/o Dipak Bhagat R/o vill - Uteshara Madhyam Tola, ward
no. 5, P.S.- Salkhua, Distt.- Saharsa

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s :	Mr. Uday Chand Prasad, Advocate Ms. Pooja Prasad, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s :	Mr. Brajendra Nath Pandey, A.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 19-08-2025 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends her arrest in a case
registered for the offences punishable under Sections 80(2), 3(5)
and 85 of the BNS.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and the informant
alleges that his daughter was married to Mohan Bhagat @ Ravi
Ranjan on 12.07.2024. Further, after marriage, the accused
persons including the petitioner were demanding dowry of Rs.2
lakhs. The informant next alleges that on account of non-
fulfillment of the demand of dowry his daughter was
strangled to death on 07.01.2025.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that



petitioner has been falsely implicated in the instant case by the informant being the sister-in-law (Gotani) of the deceased. It is further submitted that informant is not an eyewitness to the occurrence and the entire allegation hinges around suspicion. It is next submitted that even the demand of dowry is not specifically alleged against the petitioner. It is also submitted that the dead body of the deceased was sent for postmortem for ascertaining the cause of death. It is submitted that had the petitioner along with her family member been involved in the occurrence in that event efforts would have been made to dispose of the dead body with a view to conceal the evidence. It is further submitted that whenever any occurrence of the nature as alleged takes place, the entire family members are implicated in a mechanical manner.

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

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, let the petitioner above-named, in the event of her 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 Salkhua P.S. Case No. 03 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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