

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.61570 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-8 Year-2025 Thana- Ghogha District- Bhagalpur

Manish Kumar @ Manish Mandal, Son of Niranjana Mandal @ Niranjana
Kumar, R/o Village- Kodwar, P.O and P.S.- Ghogha, Dist- Bhagalpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Ms. Pravina Kumari, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Chandra Bhushan Prasad, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK KUMAR PANDEY
ORAL ORDER

4 22-12-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner has prayed for bail in connection with Ghogha P.S. Case No.08 of 2025 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 85, 80, 351(4) and 3(5) of the B.N.S. and Sections 3 and 4 of D.P. Act.

3. The case of the prosecution, in short, is that Rani Kumari (deceased) was married to the petitioner on 27.01.2024. The informant got information that the deceased is being subjected to cruelty on account of dowry demand of a bike. On 10.01.2025, the villagers informed the informant that the deceased has been killed by the in-laws.

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. He has



been falsely implicated in the present case. The occurrence is of 10.01.2025 whereas the F.I.R. has been lodged 16.01.2025. There is delay of six days in lodging of F.I.R. It has further been submitted that the F.S.L. team has also arrived and has observed the body and as per F.S.L. team, it is a suspected case of suicide, but from perusal of the first page of the prefatory prepared by F.S.L. team, it is clear that brief history of case suspected suicide as per S.H.O. The F.S.L. team has also not found ligature mark. As it has come during investigation that there has been hot talk between the deceased and her husband. As the cause of death is throttling and mothering, it cannot be said that it is case of natural death or suicide. The petitioner has got no criminal antecedent and he is languishing in judicial custody since 20.01.2025.

5. Learned APP appearing for the state has vehemently opposed the prayer of regular bail and has submitted that from perusal of the postmortem report, it will transpire that the cause of death is Asphyxia and shock due to combined effect of antemortem throttling and smothering. Petitioner is the husband. The main thrust of allegation is against the husband.

6. Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and considering the nature of allegation, this court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail at this stage and, as such, his prayer for bail stands rejected.



7. However, the petitioner may renew his prayer for
bail after six months, if the trial is not concluded.

(Ashok Kumar Pandey, J)

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