

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.12063 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-5 Year-2024 Thana- ANGARH District- Purnia

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Keshav Kumar Das @ Papai @ Papai Das, S/o- Late Arun Kumar Das,
Resident of village- Kanjiya, P.S- Angarh, District- Purnea

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

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

For the State : Md. Ataur Rahman, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 25-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in connection with Sessions Trial No. 525 of 2025 arising out of Angarh P.S. Case No. 05 of 2024 of 2024 dated 10.02.2024 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 304(B) and 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

3. The previous petition of the petitioner for regular bail was rejected by this Court vide order dated 25.10.2024 passed in Cr. Misc. 77312 of 2024 and order dated 14.11.2025 passed in Cr. Misc. 63024 of 2025 in view of serious nature of the offence alleged against the petitioner. The petitioner is husband of the deceased and he is alleged to have committed dowry death of his wife.



4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 17.02.2024 i.e. for about two years and even charge has not been framed till date.

5. It has also been stated in paragraph no. 3 of the bail petition that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

6. However, learned APP for the State vehemently opposes the prayer of the petitioner for bail.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, serious nature of the offence and petitioner being the husband of the deceased, I am not persuaded to enlarge him on bail

10. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the petitioner stands rejected.

11. However, Article 21 of the Constitution of India requires that there should be expeditious trial and hence, learned Trial Court is directed to conclude the trial within next one year, failing which, the petitioner will be at liberty to renew his prayer for regular bail.

12. Learned Trial Court is directed to ensure that charge has been framed without any delay and process be issued against prosecution witnesses sending the list of the prosecution witnesses directly to the Superintendent of Police, Purnea and



the Superintendent of Police, Purnea, is directed to ensure that the prosecution witnesses attend the court for their examination.

13. Let a copy of this order be sent to the Superintendent of Police, Nalanda at Biharsharif as well as learned Trial Court.

(Jitendra Kumar, J)

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