

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.9115 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-330 Year-2025 Thana- NARPATGANJ District- Araria

Ranjeet Mandal, Son Of Baijnath Mandal, Resident Of Village- Yogipur, P.S.-
Narpatganj, District - Araria.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Mrigendra Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Nagendra Prasad, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SHAILENDRA SINGH
ORAL ORDER

2 26-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned
APP for the State.

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in connection with Narpatganj P.S. Case No. 330 of 2025 dated 05.09.2025 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 126(2), 115(1), 118(1), 109(1), 103(1), 76, 303(2), 352 and 351(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

3. Mr. Mrigendra Kumar, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the FIR itself shows that there is a land dispute between the petitioner and the prosecution party. The FIR has been registered against six accused persons, including the petitioner. Though the petitioner is named in the FIR but no specific role has been attributed to him in assaulting the deceased, and he is simply alleged to be a member of the



attacking accused. Learned counsel further submits that the deceased, the husband of the informant, was an old person and died due to some unknown reason, as in the postmortem examination the cause of death could not be ascertained. No visible mark of injury was found on his body and upon dissection, all the vital organs were found intact. In this regard, the findings recorded in the postmortem report may be perused. For this reason, the viscera of the deceased has been preserved for chemical or forensic examination. While, as per the allegation, six accused persons, including the petitioner, badly assaulted the deceased, the said allegation is not corroborated by the findings of the doctor who conducted the postmortem examination of the deceased. It is further submitted that the specific allegation of assaulting the deceased is against co-accused Shankar Mandal, Munna Mandal, and Kabir Mandal, but there is no specific allegation against the present petitioner. It is also submitted that the petitioner has a clean antecedent. It is lastly submitted that one co-accused, namely Niranjana Mandal, against whom allegations of a similar nature have been made and whose case is completely identical to that of the petitioner, has been granted the relief of anticipatory bail by the co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 20.02.2026



passed in Cr. Misc. No. 7844 of 2026.

4. Learned APP appearing for the State has opposed the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that the instant matter relates to the murder of a person and admittedly there was a land dispute between both the parties at the time when the deceased lost his life.

5. In the facts and circumstances of this case and considering the above submissions as well as the pleas taken by the petitioner in his petition, particularly the fact that no specific role has been attributed to the petitioner in assaulting the deceased in the entire FIR, and the doctor who conducted the postmortem examination found no visible mark of injury on the body of the deceased and the internal vital organs were found intact and also taking note of the petitioner's fair and clean antecedent, in my opinion, these circumstances entitle the petitioner to the relief of anticipatory bail. Accordingly, let the petitioner named-above, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks from today, be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the Court concerned in connection with Narpatganj P.S. Case No. 330 of



2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section
482(2) of the BNSS.

(Shailendra Singh, J)

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