

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.14246 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-197 Year-2025 Thana- BARHARA District- Bhojpur

1. Lagmano Devi Wife of Surendra Rai resident of Village - Matukpur, P.S.- Barhara, Bhojpur.
2. Vishal Kumar Son of Surendra Rai Resident of Village - Matukpur, P.S.- Barhara, Bhojpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Ms. Akanksha Malviya

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Ram Anurag Singh

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

4 01-07-2026 A counter affidavit has been filed by the learned APP
for the State; Mr. Jharkhandi Upadhyay.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and
learned counsel for the State.

3. The petitioners apprehend arrest in connection with
Barahara P.S. Case No. 197 of 2025 registered for offences
under Sections 80(2), 61(2), 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya
Sanhita, 2023.

4. As per the prosecution case, the petitioners along
with others are accused of killing the deceased due to non-
fulfillment of dowry demand.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the



petitioners are quite innocent and have not committed any offence. It is further submitted that the petitioner no. 1 is the mother-in-law and the petitioner no. 2 is the brother-in-law of the deceased.

6. Learned APP for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for bail.

7. I have considered the submissions of the parties and have gone through the records of the case. The allegations against the petitioner no.1 are serious and grave in nature. There exists *prima facie* material against the petitioner no. 1 indicating her involvement in the commission of the offence. So far as the petitioner no. 2 is concerned, there are general and omnibus allegations against him.

8. Considering the allegations levelled against the petitioner no. 1, who is the mother-in-law of the deceased, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

9. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the petitioner no.1 is hereby rejected.

10. Considering the general and omnibus allegation levelled against the petitioner no. 2, who is the brother-in-law of the deceased, his prayer for bail is allowed.

11. Accordingly, let the petitioner no. 2, above-named,



in the event of arrest or surrender within four weeks from today in the Court below, 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 learned Court below where the case is pending/successor Court in connection with Barahara P.S. Case No. 197 of 2025 subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

12. It is made clear that any observation made herein is *prima facie* in nature and limited solely for the purpose of adjudication of the present bail application. Such observations shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and shall not influence the trial or any other proceedings in any manner.

13. The application is partly allowed.

(Sandeep Kumar, J)

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