

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.20374 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-666 Year-2025 Thana- BASANTPUR District- Siwan

1. Jagiya Devi, W/o Ramayan Mahto, Resident of Village - Basaw Tola Nagari, P.S. - Basantpur, District – Siwan.
2. Ramayan Mahto, S/o late Bujhawan Mahto, Resident of Village - Basaw Tola Nagari, P.S. - Basantpur, District – Siwan.

... .. Petitioners

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party

Appearance :

For the Petitioners	:	Mr. Bijay Prakash Singh, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Bharat Bhushan, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

3 24-06-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned
APP for the State.

2. The present petition has been filed on behalf of the petitioners, apprehending their arrest, in connection with Basantpur P.S. Case No.666 of 2025, dated-06.12.2025 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 80(2), 3(5) of the B.N.S., 2023.

3. As per allegation, the case has been registered in regard to dowry death of the victim allegedly committed by the co-accused husband and the Petitioners herein, who are parents-in-law and the sister-in-law of the victim.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the



Petitioners are innocent and have falsely been implicated in this case. He further submits that the Petitioners are parents-in-law and they have nothing to do with the alleged offence because they are separate in mess and business and the victim has committed suicide.

5. It is also stated in paragraph no. 2 of the bail petition that the petitioners have not moved this Court earlier either for anticipatory bail or regular one in the instant case.

6. It has further been stated in paragraph no.3 of the petition that the petitioners have no criminal antecedents.

7. Learned APP for the State vehemently opposes the prayer of the Petitioners for bail submitting that this is a heinous offence of dowry death and as per the postmortem report, death has been caused by ante-mortem injury on account of hanging. He further submits that hanging of a lady is not possible without involvement of any other person. Hence, possibility of involvement of other family members besides the husband of the victim cannot be ruled out. The case is at the stage of investigation and this petition has been filed for anticipatory bail. Hence, the Petitioners do not deserve privilege of anticipatory bail at this stage.

8. Considering the nature of the allegation and the



relationship of the Petitioners with the victim and the stage of investigation in this case, I am not persuaded to enlarge the Petitioner on anticipatory bail.

9. The present anticipatory bail petition is rejected, accordingly.

(Jitendra Kumar, J.)

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