

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.22580 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-321 Year-2025 Thana- MINAPUR District- Muzaffarpur

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Pankaj Sahni @ Pankaj Kumar Son of Umesh Sahni Resident of Village -
Methunapur, P.S.- Minapur, District - Muzaffarpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner	:	Mr. Saroj Kumar Sharma, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Binod Kumar, APP
For the Informant	:	Mr. Sanjay Kumar @ S.K., Advocate

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

3 29-06-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned
A.P.P. for the State and learned counsel for the informant

2. The petitioner apprehends his arrest in a case
registered for the offence punishable under Section 80(2) of the
B.N.S..

3. As per prosecution case, it is alleged that marriage
of daughter of informant was solemnized with this petitioner on
01.06.2023 as per *Hindu* rites and rituals. It is alleged that after
marriage, all the F.I.R. named accused persons, including this
petitioner, started torturing and harassing the victim due to non-
fulfillment of demand of dowry and subsequently, killed her.



4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is quite innocent and has committed no offence. Informant is not an eye witness to the occurrence. Petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case merely because he happens to be husband of the deceased. At no point of time, petitioner tortured or harassed the victim or demanded dowry. As a matter of fact, the deceased committed suicide. Petitioner claims clean antecedents.

5. On the other hand, learned A.P.P. for the State and learned counsel for the informant have vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner and submitted that petitioner is named in the F.I.R. with specific accusation of that he, along with other accused persons, killed the victim due to non-fulfillment of demand of dowry. Petitioner is husband of the deceased who died unnatural death at her matrimonial house within seven years of marriage.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, specific and direct nature of accusation, gravity of offence and the fact that petitioner is husband of the deceased who died unnatural death at her matrimonial house within seven years of marriage, the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail to the



petitioner is rejected.

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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