

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.44232 of 2026**

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-31 Year-2026 Thana- MOTIPUR District- Muzaffarpur

Geeta Devi, W/o Late Bhikhari Chaudhari @ Late Bhikhari Chaudhary, R/o  
vill - Nakata, ward no. 11, P.S.- Motipur, Distt. - Muzaffarpur

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

**Appearance :**

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

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Arun Kumar Pandey, APP

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SOURENDRA PANDEY**  
**ORAL ORDER**

2      08-07-2026                      Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned  
A.P.P. for the State.

2. Petitioner apprehends his arrest in connection with  
Motipur P.S. Case No. 31 of 2026 registered for the offences  
under Sections 80(2) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita,  
2023.

3. The allegation against the petitioner is that she,  
along with other family members, has strangled the sister of  
the informant, who happens to be the daughter-in-law of the  
petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the  
petitioner is the mother-in-law of the deceased and has been  
implicated in this case with general and omnibus allegations. It  
has further been submitted that though the informant has alleged



that his sister was done to death by strangulation, however, contrary to the same, the postmortem report indicates that the deceased died due to asphyxia caused by antemortem hanging. It has next been submitted that the petitioner, being an old lady, has falsely been implicated with a general allegation of demand of dowry and being in connivance with others in the killing of her daughter-in-law. It has lastly been submitted that the petitioner has clean antecedent.

5. Learned APP for the State has opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions advanced on behalf of the parties, let the petitioner above named be released on anticipatory bail, in the event of arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks from today, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/-(ten thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court below where the case is pending/successor court in connection with Motipur P.S. Case No. 31 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure read with corresponding Section 482(2) of B.N.S.S. as well as subject to the following conditions:-

(i) One of the bailors of the petitioner shall be her



close relative.

(ii) The petitioner shall remain physically present in Court on each date of the trial.

(iii) In case of absence on two consecutive dates, or in violation of the terms of the bail, the bail bond of the petitioner will be liable to be cancelled by the Court concerned.

(iv) The learned Court below shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedent, the court below shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

7. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail is allowed.

8. It is made clear that the observation, if any, made in this order, shall be of no bearing during the trial.

**(Sourendra Pandey, J)**

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