IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.75555 of 2026

CNR No. BRHC011096152026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-277 Year-2026 Thana- JOKIHAT District- Araria

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1. Sirbat jahan wife of Wasid Resident Of Village -Gamharia Ward No 1 Panchayat -Bagdahara Police Station- Jokihat District -Araria
2. Jawed Son oof Gayasuddin Resident Of Village -Gamharia Ward No 1 Panchayat -Bagdahara Police Station- Jokihat District -Araria
3. Nanhi Wife of Jawed Resident Of Village -Gamharia Ward No 1 Panchayat -Bagdahara Police Station- Jokihat District -Araria
4. Aiyaas Son of Late Rahman Resident Of Village - Paar Kakan Malio tola Ward No. 12, panchayat- Kakan, Ps- Jokihat, Dist- Araria
5. Afsari Wife of Late Gayasuddin Resident Of Village -Gamharia Ward No 1 Panchayat -Bagdahara Police Station- Jokihat District -Araria

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Shahaili Wife of Md. Rashid Alam @ Rashid Resident Of Village -Gamharia Ward No 1 Panchayat -Bagdahara Police Station- Jokihat District -Araria

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Mukesh Kumar Rana, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Pranav Kumar, APP
For the O.P. No. 2 : Md. Naushaduzzoha, Adv.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRAVEEN KUMAR

ORAL ORDER

2 28-10-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State and learned counsel for the Opposite Party No. 2.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in a case in connection with Jokihat P.S. Case No. 277 of 2026, dated 01.07.2026, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 74, 85, 303(2), 109(1), 352, 351(3), and 3(5) of the B.N.S. and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

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3. As per the prosecution case, the informant was allegedly subjected to torture on account of non-fulfilment of dowry demands. It has further been alleged that the accused persons, including the petitioners, assaulted the informant with a knife, causing injuries to her head.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that petitioner no. 1 is the sister-in-law (Gotni), petitioner no. 2 is the brother-in-law (Devar), petitioner no. 3 is the sister-in-law (Nanad), petitioner no. 4 is a distant relative of the other petitioners, and petitioner no. 5 is the mother-in-law of the informant. It has further been submitted that the allegations levelled against the petitioners are general and omnibus in nature, without any specific attribution of individual roles.

4.1. It has further been submitted that the husband of the informant was taken into custody and has subsequently been granted the privilege of regular bail by the learned court below. Learned counsel has also submitted that the petitioners are residing separately from the informant and her husband, both in terms of residence and mess, and have no concern with their day-to-day affairs. It has lastly been submitted that the petitioners have no criminal antecedents.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State and learned counsel for

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the Opposite Party No. 2 have vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail of the petitioners. Learned counsel for the Opposite Party No. 2 has submitted that petitioners have shared a common intention with the husband in commission of the offence against the informant.

6. Heard the parties and perused the record.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, there being general and omnibus allegation against the petitioners as also their relation with the informant and her husband has been granted the privilege of regular bail, let the above named petitioners, in the event of their arrest/surrender within a period of six weeks from today, be enlarged on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail-bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Araria, in connection with Jokihat P.S. Case No. 277 of 2026, subject to conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S.

8. The application stands allowed.

(Praveen Kumar, J)

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