

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.80552 of 2025

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-455 Year-2024 Thana- KHAIRA District- Jamui

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1. Lalan Chaudhary Son of Bachhu Chaudhary @ Vachcho Chaudhary R/o Village Mushari Tola, Police Station - Khaira, District - Jamui.
 2. Bindu Devi Wife of Lalan Chaudhary R/o Village Mushari Tola, Police Station - Khaira, District - Jamui.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Pankaj Kumar Sinha, Adv.
For the Opposite Party/s : Mr.Binod Kumar, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. SONI SHRIVASTAVA
ORAL ORDER

5 19-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and
learned APP for the State.

2. A prayer for bail has been made on behalf of the
petitioner in connection with Khaira P.S. Case no.455 of 2024
registered under sections 80 and 3(5) of BNS, 2023.

3. Allegation in the F.I.R is that accused persons killed
the informant's daughter due to non-fulfillment of demand of
dowry.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits, at the
outset, that petitioners are the father-in-law and mother-in-law
of the deceased and general and omnibus allegation of causing
death of deceased on account of non-fulfillment of demand of



dowry has been levelled. As a matter of fact, there was some heated exchange between the deceased and her husband, who was at Kerala at the relevant time on phone call, and it is only thereafter she hung herself. Portmortem report also indicates that cause of death was cardio respiratory failure due to Asphyxia caused by hanging. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that after coming to know the real facts and circumstances, the informant and her family members did not wish to pursue the case and as such, an application was also given in this regard, which is Annexure-P4 to the petitioner. Further, she has not supported the case of the prosecution during trial and has also not been declared hostile, making her deposition binding upon the prosecution. Petitioners are in custody since 26.07.2025 and it has been informed that out of 18 charge-sheet witnesses, nine witnesses have been examined and rest of the witnesses remain to be examined. As such, there is no likelihood to conclude the trial in the near future. They undertake to cooperate in the case/trial.

5. The application for bail is opposed by learned A.P.P. for the State.

6. Taking into consideration the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that



informant of the case has herself not supported the case of the prosecution during trial, the petitioners are directed to be enlarged on bail in connection with Khaira P.S. Case no.455 of 2024 on each of them furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Court concerned where the case is pending/successor Court.

7. Learned trial Court is directed to expedite the trial.

(Soni Shrivastava, J)

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