

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.102 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-27 Year-2015 Thana- NOORSARAI District- Nalanda

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Kaushaliya Devi Wife of Shankar Paswan Resident of Village- Pathraura,
P.S.- Noorsarai, District- Nalanda

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Ranjeet Kumar Mishra, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Rajendra Singh, A.P.P.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRABHAT KUMAR SINGH
ORAL ORDER

3 20-02-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the State.

2. Petitioner apprehends arrest in Noorsarai P. S. Case
No. 27 of 2015 registered for the offences punishable under
Sections 304B/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

3. It is a case of dowry death. As per the prosecution
case, the daughter of informant got married with co-accused
Gautam Kumar two years ago. Later on, this petitioner along
with other co-accused persons started subjecting her to torture
and harassment for non-fulfillment of demand of dowry and
ultimately, accused persons killed the deceased.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that
petitioner is mother-in-law of deceased. Informant is not an eye
witness and only a suspicion has been raised against this
petitioner. Petitioner is separate in mess and property and has



got no concern with the affairs of deceased and her husband.
Thrust of accusation is against husband of the deceased.
Petitioner claims clean antecedent.

5. Learned A.P.P. for the State opposed the prayer for bail and submits that petitioner is mother-in-law of the deceased and there is direct and specific allegation that she along with other co-accused persons killed the deceased due to non-fulfillment of dowry demand. The deceased died in unnatural circumstances within 2 years of marriage in her matrimonial house.

6. Considering the nature of accusation and the fact that deceased died in unnatural condition within 2 years of marriage in her in-laws' house, prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is rejected.

(Prabhat Kumar Singh, J)

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