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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : Bail Appln./2829/2026

SHRI PANKAJ BORDOLOI
SON OF SRI PRAMUD BORDOLOI, RESIDENT OF VILLAGE LAWKHOWA, BONGAON, POLICE STATION- RUPAHIHAT, NAGAON DISTRICT- NAGAON, ASSAM PIN-782125

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM
REPRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, ASSAM

Advocate for the Petitioner : MS. L WANGSA, MS. P KONWAR,MS. N BORAH,MRS. R S DEURI,U BHARADWAJ

Advocate for the Respondent : PP, ASSAM,

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE SHAMIMA JAHAN

ORDER

Date : 07.10.2026

Heard Mrs. R. S. Deuri, the learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. D. P. Goswami, the learned Addl. Public Prosecutor for the State of Assam.

2. By this application, the petitioner has prayed for bail in connection with

Sessions (T2), Case No. 198/N/2026, corresponding to Rupahihat Police Station Case No. 193/2026, pending before the Court of Additional Sessions Judge FTC, Nagaon.

3. The FIR in connection with which the petitioner was arrested on 19.06.2026, was lodged by the mother of the deceased stating *inter alia* that, her daughter had married to the petitioner by eloping with him in the year 2018. In the FIR, it was further stated that, her daughter was subjected to various physical and mental tortures by the petitioner along with his family members. She also stated in the FIR that, during the month of January, 2023, her daughter was tortured in certain manner that she left her matrimonial house and went to her house. However, the informant stated that, when her daughter came back to her matrimonial house on being invited, she got a call on 17.06.2026, that her daughter had committed suicide. She thereafter, stated that, when she reached the matrimonial house of the daughter, she saw the daughter in the hanging condition and although she requested the petitioner and his family members not to bring down the daughter till the police arrive but the dead body of the daughter was brought down and was placed on a bed.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, initially the case was registered under Section 103(1) along with Sections 61(2)(a) and 238 BNS by the police but while submitting charge-sheet, the police had charged the petitioner for offence of abetment along with other charges. She submits that, there are no ingredients of abetment in the said FIR or in the charge-sheet.

5. On the other hand, Mr. D. P. Goswami, the learned APP, upon perusal of the case records, submits that the victim died as a result of suicidal hanging and

that there are sufficient materials on record, in the form of statements of witnesses, who have stated that the petitioner had subjected the victim to various forms of torture.

6. Upon consideration of the submissions made by the learned counsels, more so in view of the fact that, the petitioner has been inside the jail for the last 111 days and that, the Charge-sheet is submitted and that the petitioner has to prepare his case during trial and also due to the fact that, specific materials are required to establish a case for abetment, this Court enlarges the petitioner on bail on furnishing of a bail bond of Rs. 20, 000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand) with one local surety of the like amount to the satisfaction of the Additional Session Judge, FTC, Nagaon, under the following conditions:

(i) The petitioner shall positively appear before the Trial Court as and when call for.

(ii) The petitioner shall not hamper and tamper with the evidence of the case, and/or influence the witness connected with the case; and

(iii) The petitioner shall not leave their residence without prior permission of the Investigating Officer.

7. The Bail Application stands disposed of.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant