

IN THE COURT OF SESSIONS JUDGE, AURANGABAD (BIHAR)

A.B.P. No. 1225/2026

Arising out of Obra P.S. Case No. 111/2026

Present:- Rajeev Ranjan Kumar, Sessions Judge, Aurangabad (Bihar)

Urmila Devi, W/o Pramod Singh Yadav, age-60 years, R/o village- Majhiawa, P.S.-
Obra, District- Aurangabad (Bihar).

... .. Petitioner(s)

Versus

The State of Bihar

... ..Opposite Party(s)

Appearance :

For the Petitioner(s)	:	Sri Ram Lakshuman Yadav, Adv.
For the State	:	Sri Ajay Kumar, P.P.

04.06.2026

Apprehending her arrest in connection with Obra P.S. Case No. 111 of 2026 instituted under Sections u/s 80(2), 238(a) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, petitioner has moved before this court for grant of privileges of anticipatory bail. A copy of the bail petition has been served upon the ld. P.P. for the State.

An FIR has been lodged by the informant Lavkush Kumar to the effect that his sister Saraswati Devi (now deceased) was married to the co-accused Samu Yadav on dated 06.05.2019. It is alleged that her sister was being ill-treated and was subjected to cruelty for demand of Rs. 1,00,000/- and a golden chain as dowry and due to non-fulfillment of the said demand, she was done to death by the accused persons on 24.03.2025.

It has been submitted by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that the petitioner is quite innocent and has committed no offence as alleged in the FIR by the informant. The allegation levelled against the petitioner is completely false, concocted and baseless. Petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case being the mother-in-law of deceased. No such occurrence has ever taken place and there was no demand of dowry against the petitioner. The marriage of the deceased was solemnized in the year 2017 and the alleged incident took place on dated 24.03.2025, hence, Section 80 of BNS is not attracted in this case. Petitioner is having clean antecedent. On these grounds, it is prayed that the petitioner be given the privileges of anticipatory bail.

Per contra, learned P.P. opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner and submitted that the deceased was strangulated to death by the accused persons including the petitioner due to non-fulfillment of illegal demand of

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dowry. He further submitted that the deceased died within seven years of marriage at her matrimonial home itself. Petitioner is the mother-in-law of deceased and the investigation is still going on. Hence, the petitioner is not entitled to be enlarged on anticipatory bail.

Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and learned P.P. for the State.

The sister of informant named as Saraswati Devi (now deceased) was got married with one Samu Yadav on dated 06.05.2019. It is alleged that there was demand of dowry made by the side of her husband and in-laws members and due to non-fulfillment of the said demand, she was being tortured at her matrimonial home. There was a call received on dated 24.03.2025 by the mother of deceased regarding death of her daughter and before their arrival at the matrimonial home of deceased, her dead body was being cremated. The petitioner is the mother-in-law of deceased and there is allegation of demand of dowry and cause of death of deceased against her. It is also mentioned at para-14 of the case diary that the children of deceased were handed over to their maternal grandfather as they showed their willingness to go with them. However, it is mentioned at para-34 of the case diary that the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent. It is also mentioned at para-40 of the case diary that soon before her death, there was quarrel made between the deceased and her husband.

Considering the fact that the deceased has been died within seven years of her marriage and there was demand of dowry as alleged. Apart from the aforesaid fact, the cremation of body was made in the absence of deceased parents, which raises serious doubt against the accused persons including the petitioner. **Hence, the anticipatory bail petition filed on behalf of the petitioner Urmila Devi is hereby rejected.**

Dictated

(Rajeev Ranjan Kumar)
Sessions Judge
Aurangabad (Bihar)