

In The Court of Additional Sessions Judge - XIII, Bhagalpur
A.B.P. No. - 556 / 2026

[Arising out of Antichak P.S. Case No. 132/2025]

Navnit Kumar @ Navnit Kumar Mandal

..... petitioner

Vrs.

The State of Bihar

..... Opposite party

ORDER

07.05.2026

This anticipatory bail application has been filled on behalf of petitioner **Navnit Kumar @ Navnit Kumar Mandal** who is apprehending his arrest in connection with **Antichak P.S. Case No. 132/2025, U/s – 85 BNS** which has been registered on the basis of written application of the informant namely, Rani Kumari which is pending before the Court of **Ms. Neha Kumari, JMFC, Bhagalpur**. A copy of this anticipatory bail petition has been served to Ld. A. P. P. for the State.

2. Heard Sri. Mrityunjay Kumar Singh Ld. counsel for the petitioner as well as Sri Manoj Kumar learned A.P.P. for the State on the A.B.P.

3. The learned advocate on behalf of petitioner has briefly submitted that no other anticipatory or regular bail petition has been filed on behalf of the petitioner either before the court of the Ld. Sessions Judge, Bhagalpur or before the Hon'ble High Court, Patna except this anticipatory bail petition. It is further submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence as alleged in the F. I. R. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is the husband of the informant and he has performed love marriage with the informant and are living separately from the family after marriage. The petitioner belongs to schedule tribe, so the family member of the informant are not ready to accept the marriage and on their instigation, the informant started misbehaving the petitioner and his family members. There is no criminal antecedent against the petitioner. The petitioner is ready to abide all the terms and conditions and they are ready to furnish bail bond with sufficient sureties as per direction of the court. Prayer has been made that anticipatory bail petition of the petitioner be allowed.

4. Learned A.P.P. has opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner. He has said that there are sufficient materials available on the case record against the petitioner. Prayer has been made to dismiss the anticipatory bail application of the petitioner.

5. It has been alleged in the written report by the informant, Rani Kumari, that her marriage was solemnized with Navnit Kumar Mandal on July 25, 2023. It is stated that shortly after the marriage, a demand for ₹5 Lakhs was made from the informant's mother and by the in-laws, and the informant was subjected to torture. Furthermore, it is alleged that attempts were made by the in-law family members to kill the informant by strangulation. It is claimed that attempts were also made to burn her by pouring oil on her body, and she was locked in a room where medicine was forcibly administered to her to render her unconscious. The involvement of the Lakshman Prasad Singh (Father-in-law), Amrita Singh (Mother-in-law), Bhanu Pratap Singh (Brother-in-law), Vina Kumari (Sister-in-law), Guriya Kumari (Sister-in-law), and Ashish Kumar (Maternal Uncle) has been specifically alleged in these acts. It is further claimed that to save the marriage, beatings and physical and mental torture were tolerated by the

informant, and large sums of money, along with a gold ring, were given to her husband, Navnit Kumar Mandal. However, it is alleged that the money was squandered on alcohol by the husband. Despite these payments, it is claimed that the atrocities were not reduced, and food was denied to the informant. Finally, it is alleged that an extramarital affair is being carried out by the husband. The FIR concludes with the allegation that the informant was forcibly thrown out of the matrimonial house, and her belongings, including a gold mangtika, gold nose ring, gold ring, a box, and old clothes, were unlawfully retained by the accused persons. Hence, the FIR was registered.

6. Heard Id. Counsel for both the parties and perused the record. Case diary was called out, but the Id. APP has failed to produce the same. So, there is no need to wait for the case diary to decide the present bail application. It appears that the petitioner is husband of the informant. From perusal of bail application, it appears that the dispute arose due to love marriage that allegedly faced severe opposition from informant's family members. Notice was served upon the informant to appear and present her sided before the court, but the avoidance and non-cooperation of informant shows her lack of interest in this case. The existence of a prior Sanha Petition No. 4572/2023 filed by the informant clearly demonstrates an ongoing marital incompatibility rather than a sudden case of dowry cruelty. As per bail petition, there is no criminal antecedent against the petitioner.

7. Therefore, considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the prayer for anticipatory bail for the petitioner **Navnit Kumar @ Navit Kumar Mandal** is thereby **ALLOWED** on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- with **two surety** of like amount each with following conditions:-

- (a) Bail bond shall be furnished within 15 days of the receipt of this order.
- (b) The petitioner shall file undertaking mentioning his mobile number he will not change his mobile number without informing the court.
- (c) The petitioner will not influence or temper with the evidence and shall co-operate in trial of the case.

The copy of the order be sent to the concerned court for information and needful.

(Dictated & corrected by me)

Sd/-
PRASHANT KUMAR JHA
Addl. Sessions Judge - XIII,
Bhagalpur
07.05.2026

Memo:_____ Dated_____

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Bhagalpur

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