

IN THE COURT OF SRI RAJ NARAYAN NIGAM, DISTRICT & ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE- I,
BHAGALPUR.

Bail Petition No. 340/2026
(Arising out of Kotwali(Barari) P.S. Case No. 213/2024)
U/s 366, 506/34 IPC.

Sanjeev Bhagat & Ors. versus The State of Bihar

1. Sanjeev Bhagat, aged about 24 yrs, S/o-Nagendra Bhagat.

2. Nagendra Bhagat, aged about 48 yrs, S/o-Lt. Asharfi Bhagat.

All R/o- Barahi Tola, P.S- Govindganj, District- Motihari(Purvi Champaran), Bihar.

.....Petitioners

Versus

The State of Bihar

.....Opposite Party

For the Petitioners : Mr. Vikash Kumar, Advocate.

For the State : Mr. Vijay Kumar Singh, Additional P.P.

Date of order or proceeding	Order with signature of the court	Office action taken with date
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30-04-2026	The accused-petitioners Sanjeev Bhagat and Nagendra Bhagat who are in custody since 16-03-2026 has filed this bail petition in connection with Kotwali(Barari) P.S. Case No. 213/2024 registered under sections 366, 506/34 of IPC. On behalf of the petitioners a certificate has been given in Para 2 of the bail petition that the petitioners have not filed any bail petition in any form on previous occasion either in the court of Learned Sessions Judge, Bhagalpur or before the Hon'ble High Court Patna. Further, the petitioners bear clean antecedent as per para 3 of bail petition. The prosecution story as per the written application of the informant Manoj Rai in brief, is that on 20-03-2024 he went for his duty and her wife went to temple. When she returned from temple, she found her elder daughter Aarti Kumari missing. When informant's wife asked about her elder daughter from her younger daughter Sakshi, she said that her sister went telling her that she is going to give exam. Thereafter, they started searching for her daughter. In the meanwhile, informant received a phone call from one Sanjeev Kumar stating that he took her daughter along with him and he will marry her. Thereafter, informant also received a phone call from Sanjeev's father and he stated that his son had ran away along with informant's daughter for marrying her. Hence, the FIR. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that they innocent and has committed no offence as alleged in the FIR. He further submitted that Sanjeev Kumar and Aarti Kumari were having love affair and she went along with the petitioner no. 1 with her own will for marrying him. He further submitted that informant's daughter has solemnized marriage with the petitioner no. 1 and they have also got their marriage registered from Marriage Registration Office, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. He further submitted that informant's daughter has also filed a writ vide order dt. 23-05-2024, WRIT-C No.-17692 of 2024 before Hon'ble High Court, Allahabad seeking protection from her parent's. He further submitted that the petitioners are in custody since 16-03-2026. On the above-mentioned ground, it is prayed that the petitioners be enlarged on bail.	

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30-04-2026 contd...P2	The Learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the state opposed the prayer for bail. Heard both sides and perused the case record and case diary. From para 38 of the case dairy it appears that victim Aarti Kumari is aged about 19-20 years. Allegation against petitioner no. 1 is that he has abducted informant with help of petitioner no. 2 and other co-accused for marrying her. From the perusal of case record it appears that photocopy marriage registration certificate of Marriage registration officer, Ghaziabad, Uttarpradesh is attached along with record wherein it has been declared that the marriage of victim and petitioner no. 1 was solemnized on 01-04-2024 at Arya Samaj Mandir, Vijay Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttarpradesh. From perusal of record it also appears that several applications have been filed by the victim seeking police protection from her parents. Victim Aarti Kumari and petitioner no. 1 have also filed a writ vide order dt. 23-05-2024, WRIT-C No.-17692 of 2024 before Hon'ble High Court, Allahabad wherein they have stated that they have solemnized marriage out of their own free will and consent without coercion as they are adults and their family members have got annoyed with this act they have apprehension that they can eliminate them for family honor and they seeked protection and they were directed to approach concerned Commissioner of Police with a certified copy of order and respondent no. 2(concerned Commissioner of Police) was directed to provide immediate protection to them. A pen drive has also been filed on behalf of petitioners from perusal whereof it transpires that it contains several photos and videos of victim and petitioner no. 1 Sanjeev Kumar which clearly indicates their consensual marriage. Moreover, petitioners are in custody since 16-03-2026 i.e more than one month. On the basis of the above mentioned facts and circumstances and considering the period of custody, it is directed that the petitioners be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs 10,000/- (Ten thousands) with two sureties of like amount each to the satisfaction of the Learned Trial Court with the following conditions:- 1. At least one of the sureties of the petitioner shall be close relative. 2. That petitioner shall remain present physically on each and every date before learned Trial Court and shall co-operate in trial. 3. The petitioner shall mention his mobile number on the bail bond and shall not change his mobile number till the disposal of the case. SD/- District & Additional Sessions Judge- I Bhagalpur.	
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