

In the Court of District & Additional Sessions Judge-I, Darbhanga, Bihar.
BP No.- 156/2026

Ref :- Arising out of L.N.M.U PS Case No.-176/2014, Dated-06.08.2014,
U/s- 341, 342, 323, 324, 302, 504, 506, 34 of IPC

In the matter of :-

**Jitu Paswan S/o Late Surendra Paswan aged about 36 years
Resident of village- Wasi Chakar Gas Godam, P.S. L.N.M.U., District-
Darbhanga.**

----- Petitioner

Versus.

The State of Bihar

----- Opposite Party

Learned counsel for the petitioner : Sri Mukesh Kumar Ray, Advocate.

Learned counsel for Opp.Party : Sri Amrendra Narayan Jha, P.P.

Date of order:- 09.03.2026

ORDER

1. The present application has been filed on behalf of the petitioner seeking regular bail in connection with L.N.M.U. P.S. Case No. 176 of 2014, dated 06.08.2014, registered under Sections 341, 342, 323, 324, 302, 504, 506, 34 of the IPC, which is presently pending in the Court of the learned Sri Raghav, JMFC, Darbhanga. The petitioner is in judicial custody since 30.01.2026.
2. The prosecution case, in brief, is that about one week prior to the institution of the case at about 03:00 PM, one Puja Devi came to the house of the informant and asked the daughter of the informant to accompany her to Kathal Badi. The proposal was refused by the daughter of the informant, whereafter Puja Devi allegedly left the house of the informant taking with her the mobile phone of the informant's daughter.

3. It is further alleged that after about four days, the daughter of the informant saw her mobile phone in the possession of Puja Devi and demanded its return. On 02.08.2014 at about 06:00 PM, the present petitioner along with three other accused persons allegedly came to the house of the informant and began abusing Anju Kumari, the daughter of the informant, and also started assaulting her.
4. It is further alleged that during the occurrence the present petitioner took kerosene oil from the Angan of the informant, poured the same upon the body of Anju Kumari and set her ablaze, as a result of which she sustained serious burn injuries. She was immediately taken to DMCH, Darbhanga, where she succumbed to her injuries.
5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is further submitted that the petitioner has clean antecedents and that due to previous enmity, the petitioner has been implicated falsely. It is also argued that the daughter of the informant had committed suicide.
6. On the other hand, learned Public Prosecutor has opposed the prayer for bail and submitted that there is a specific and direct allegation against the petitioner that he poured kerosene oil on the deceased and set her on fire, and that the post-mortem report corroborates the prosecution case.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegation, and the direct accusation against the petitioner of setting the deceased ablaze, I am not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the bail petition stands rejected.

(Dictated)

**District & Addl Sessions Judge-I
Darbhanga.
09.03.2026**

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**District & Addl Sessions Judge-I
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