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**In the Court of Sessions Judge, East Champaran at Motihari.**

**Present:-**

**Abhishek K. Das,  
Sessions Judge,  
East Champaran at Motihari**

**Anticipatory Bail Petition No. 1373 of 2026**

1. **Ram Nath Sahani, aged about 76 years, S/o- Late Ramawtar Sahani.**  
Resident of village- Kubra, P.S. Harsiddhi, District- East Champaran.

----- **Petitioner.**

**Versus**

**The State of Bihar**

----- **Opposite party.**

**Counsel for the Petitioner :- Sri Md. Mustaquim Khan, Advocate**  
**Counsel for the State :- Sri Khublal Prasad, Public Prosecutor.**

**16.04.2026**

This is an anticipatory bail petition filed on behalf of the petitioner, namely, Ram Nath Sahani, who is apprehending his arrest in connection with Harsiddhi P.S. Case No. 603 of 2025 for the offences u/s 85, 80(2), 3(5) and 103(1) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

**In para-2 of this anticipatory bail petition, it is mentioned that no anticipatory or regular bail petition has been filed earlier on behalf of the petitioner either in this Court or before the Hon'ble Patna High Court and in para-3, it is mentioned that petitioner has no criminal antecedent.**

As per F.I.R., the informant's daughter Ganita Devi was married to Ranjeet Sahani about seven years ago with Hindu Rituals. After four years of her marriage, her in-laws started demanding one motorcycle and Rs. 2,00,000 in dowry and subjected her to cruelty. About a month ago, she was brutally beaten up by her in-laws for dowry and thrown out of the house. The informant and others tried to intervene by giving Rs. 50,000 to Dhanilal Sahani, but on the night of 28.08.2025, Arvind Sahani called the informant and told that all the accused persons had brutally beaten Ganita Devi and strangulated her to death. Upon getting information, the informant and her family members went to her daughter's house where she saw her daughter's dead body and there was no one in the house as well. The informant believes that her daughter was murdered by her in-laws for non-fulfillment of dowry.

The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has committed no offence. The petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased

and his son loved his wife (deceased) and kept her with full honor and dignity. In fact, the deceased herself committed suicide but in collusion with the enemy of the petitioner, the informant has filed this false case. When the informant of this case realized about the truth, the case has been compromised with Ranjit Sahani (husband of the deceased) and his mother (mother-in-law of the deceased).

The learned Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the State has opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail.

Heard both sides and perused the record. From perusal of the record, it transpires that the petitioner is named in the F.I.R. with the allegation that he alongwith other co-accused persons committed murder of informant's daughter due to non-fulfillment of demand of dowry. As per para 15 of the case diary, containing post-mortem report, the cause of death Asphyxia due to Strangulation caused by ligature. As per para-3 of the case diary, the informant in her restatement has corroborated the version of F.I.R. and supported the prosecution case. As per para 7, 24, 25 of the case diary, the witnesses have stated in their statement that they saw the wife of Ranjit Sahani hanged on bamboo stick. However, the witness Mukesh Sahani has stated he came to know that Ranjit's wife committed suicide. As per para-80 of the case diary, investigation is under progress. As per para-3 of anticipatory bail petition and para 79 of the case diary, the petitioner has no criminal antecedent. Case is non-compoundable.

In the facts of the case as discussed above and keeping in view the nature of allegation and gravity of offence, I am not inclined to give privilege of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of petitioner, namely, **Ram Nath Sahani** stands **rejected**.

(Dictated)

Sd/-

Sessions Judge  
East Champaran at Motihari  
16.04.2026