

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE-II
DISTRICT-KATIHAR
(B.P. No. 376 of 2026)

In the matter of

1. Bibhishan Mandal aged about 60 years, S/o- Late Shiv Prasad Mandal
2. Chandan Devi aged about 55 years, W/o- Bibhishan Mandal
Above both R/o- Nayatola, Jiyamari, Gauripur, P.S.- Amdabad, Dist.- Katihar.

.....**Accused/petitioners.**

Vs

State of Bihar.....Opposite Party.

Amdabad P.S. Case No. 72/2026

U/S- 103 (1), 80, 3 (5) of B.N.S.

Ld, advocate for petitioners- Shri Shambhunath

Learned A.P.P. for the State Shri Md. Ajaz Alam

ORDER

23-04-2026- This bail petition has been filed on behalf of the accused-petitioners namely 1. Bibhishan Mandal and 2. Chandan Devi who are in custody since 11.03.2026 in connection with aforesaid case, pending before Id. Court below.

Heard the Id. counsel Shri Shambhunath appearing on behalf of the petitioners and learned A.P.P. Shri Md. Ajaz Alam appearing on behalf of the State.

According to F.I.R. prosecution case in nutshell is that informant to this case namely Panchanand Mandal lodged a written report before S.H.O. Amdabad, alleging therein that on dated 30.03.2026 at about 07:00 o' clock in morning, he received a telephonic call that his daughter namely Puja Kumari has been murdered. Informant has further alleged that after coming in knowledge he went and saw that his daughter is lying dead. Informant has further alleged prior to this occurrence, one vehicle was demanded in dowry so, he feels that his daughter has been killed by all the family members. The name of accused is Bibhishan Mandal, Chandan Devi (accused-petitioners) and as named in the F.I.R.

On the other side learned counsel for the petitioners has reiterated all the grounds taken in the bail petition and has submitted that accused-petitioners are innocent and they have not committed any offence as alleged in the F.I.R. Deceased to this case had solemnised a love marriage with the son of the present petitioners namely Ram Kumar Mandal. It has been further submitted that on the alleged date of occurrence both the daughters-in-law were engaged in household work while, petitioner No.-1 Bibhishan Mandal was performing worshipping. The deceased went to the hand pump to wash her hands where she suddenly

became unconscious and fell down. Family members rushed there, brought her inside and called a doctor but by that time she had already died. The informant taking the advantage of annoyance due to the love marriage has falsely implicated the petitioners. No question of dowry, as the marriage was a love marriage and both belong to the same village. The petitioners never assaulted to the deceased and both petitioners are in custody since 11.03.2026. Accordingly, it has been prayed to enlarge the petitioners on bail.

Per contra, learned A.P.P. for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for bail and has submitted that there is specific allegation against the petitioners that due to non-fulfilment of dowry demand, they committed murder to the deceased to this case namely Puja Kumari and allegation as levelled against the petitioners is very heinous in nature and investigation is still pending against the petitioners. Accordingly, it has been prayed to reject the bail petition.

Heard both parties and perused the case record from perusal of the case record it is evident that in written report informant to this case namely Panchanand Mandal has clearly stated that some days before of this alleged occurrence accused-petitioners and other demanded one vehicle in dowry and due to non-fulfilment of dowry demand they have committed murder to his daughter and witnesses of the case diary have supported the case of prosecution and investigation is still pending against the petitioners.

So, having considered the above facts as well as submission made by ld. A.P.P., I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioners on regular bail. Hence, petition for regular bail filed on behalf of accused-petitioners namely Bibhishan Mandal and Chandan Devi is hereby rejected.

**Addl. Sessions Judge-II
Katihar**

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