

**In the Court of District & Add. Sessions Judge-II,
Jhanjharpur (Madhubani)**

Anticipatory Bail Petition No.-368/2026

1. Shiv Devi aged about 40 years W/o Dilip Mahto.
2. Lala Devi aged about 55 years W/o Ramnath Mahto.
3. Ramnath Mahto aged about 58 years S/o- Nakki Mahto.

All R/o Village- Brahmotra, P.S.-Laukaha, District- Madhubani.

.....Petitioners

Versus

1. State of Bihar through Additional Public Prosecutor.

.....Opposite Party

Anticipatory Bail Petition Under Section 482 B.N.S.S.

For the petitioner/s	:	Shri Jay Krishana Yadav, Advocate.
For the O.P. State	:	Shri Dev Shankar Jha, APP

ORDER

Dated: 16.06.2026

This anticipatory bail petition filed on 24.02.2026 under section 482 B.N.S.S. on behalf of the above named petitioners **Shiv Devi, Lala Devi, and Ramnath Mahto**, who are apprehending their arrest in connection with **Laukaha P.S. Case No. 27/2026**, for the offence **under section 137(2), 96, 3(5) of B.N.S** which is pending in the court of SDJM, Jhanjharpur, is being pressed and heard.

The case of the prosecution on the basis of written application given by Mukesh Kumar Yadav, and he stated that on 26.01.2026, his sister namely Jyoti Kumari had gone to sleep after having dinner, but in the morning she was not at home. After, that they started searching, and came to know that petitioners named in F.I.R has eloped his sister at around 02:00PM in the night by deceiving her with the promise of marriage, and other co-accused named in FIR also had a hand in the elopement. Hence, this case.

Learned counsel for the accused petitioners submitted that no other bail petition is pending earlier before your Hon'ble Court or before Hon'ble Patna High Court, Patna. There is no criminal antecedent against the

petitioners. It is further stated that the petitioners are quite innocent, and have not committed any offence. That the total case story is false, concocted, and this false case has been lodged against the petitioners due to grudge, malice, spite, and dirty village party politics. Accordingly, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the accused petitioners.

Learned APP had opposed the prayer of anticipatory bail.

Heard the argument and perused the record. From the documents filed on behalf of victim ie school certificate, and Adhar card, it is apparent that victim was major at the time of occurrence. Moreover, victim had appeared before Court, and had stated that she had married with Sanjeev Kumar Mahto on her own free will. So apparently this case appears to be of elopement out of love. Considering the aforesaid facts as well as discussion made above, the Anticipatory Bail Petition of the petitioners accused namely ***Shiv Devi, Lala Devi, and Ramnath Mahto***, is hereby **allowed**. It is hereby ordered that in the event of surrender or arrest before the court below/concerned police within 30 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, the petitioners shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court below/police subject to the condition under the provision of section 482(2) BNSS.

Dictated

Sd/-

**Addl. Sessions Judge-II,
Jhanjharpur**

Memo No...../2026, Dated:.....

Copy of order forwarded to the court of S.D.J.M., Jhanjharpur for information and needful.

**Addl. Sessions Judge-II,
Jhanjharpur**