

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE- XIII, DANAPUR.

Regular Bail Petition No: 875 of 2026
(arising out of Shahpur PS case No. 266/2026)

Satish Kumar @ Santosh Kumar, s/o- Devanand Singh @ Devanand Mahto
r/o- Shikarpur, PS- Shahpur, District- Patna

.....**Accused-Petitioner.**

V/s

The State of Bihar.....Opposite Party/Prosecution.

Ld. Counsel for the Petitioner..... Shri Binod Prasad Singh, Advocate.

Learned Counsel for the State.....Shri Ramkeshwar Prasad, Addl. P. P.

ORDER

28.07.2026	1. This regular bail petition, filed on behalf of the above named accused-petitioner who is in judicial custody since 01.07.2026 in connection with Shahpur P.S. Case No. 266/2026, lodged U/S- 80(2), 238(b), 3(5) BNS. 2. The prosecution case, in brief, is that, informant Vijay Mahto married to his daughter Sharmila Kumari with Sathish Kumar approx. five years ago according to Hidy rites and rituals. In the said marriage informant gave all necessary things. He further stated that for 2 years his daughter was pressurized for a Apache Motorcycle and five lakh rupees cash from his parental house by her husband Satish Kumar, mother-in-law Naumiya Devi, father-in-law Devanand Mahto, brother-in-law Manish Kumar, Sanjeet Kumar, Vriju Kumar and Vikky Kumar. When his daughter denied to do so because her father was very poor then her in laws told her if she did not do this, they would not be allowed to live peacefully. When the informant got knowledge about this he requested them not to assault her daughter and stated that he would do whatever was possible. On 24.06.2026 the informant could not talk to her daughter thereafter, he called on his son-in-law mobile but he did not allow to speak with her. On 26.06.2026, the informant was informed by her son-in-law and his family members that his daughter had committed suicide by hanging herself on 24.06.2026. Thereafter, the informant along with his family members reached at her daughter's matrimonial house and he found that the house was locked and all the family members were absconded. He further stated that all the accused persons killed his daughter for the sake of dowry. 3. After placing the innocence and false implication and clean antecedent of the petitioner, Ld. Counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 01.07.2026. The alleged offence is not attracted against the petitioner. The deceased lived with her husband in Patna City separately from the other in laws. The deceased hanged herself on 24.06.2026 when he came her parent's house same day in day time and hanged her in evening when no other family members are on the house when the occurrence took place. The petitioner is man of means and he is ready to	Contd.
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furnish bail bond. Hence, he prayed that the petitioner may be granted regular bail

4. The learned Addl. P. P. for the State opposed the regular bail.

5. Heard both the parties at length. It transpires that the present FIR has been registered in connection with the suspicious death of the informant’s daughter at her matrimonial home within five years of her marriage. On perusal of the record, it appears that there are allegations of demand of money and a motorcycle, harassment and assault upon the deceased by her husband and other members of her matrimonial home. On 26.06.2026, the informant was informed that her daughter had allegedly committed suicide by hanging but when the informant reached there, the house was found locked and the family members were not present there. The informant has expressed her suspicion that the accused had caused the death of her daughter. The allegations levelled in the FIR are serious in nature. Although it suicide committed by the wife within 7 years of marriage and if allegation of demand of dowry prior to suicide except presumption of dowry death against the accused.

6. Considering the nature and gravity of the offence, the allegation of demand of dowry, harassment and assault upon the deceased against the petitioner/accused. This court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on regular bail. Hence, the prayer of regular bail of the petitioner is hereby **rejected**.

Let a copy of this order be sent to the Ld. Court of SDJM, Danapur for information and needful.

(Dictated)

Sd/-
Vivekanand Prasad
ASJ - XIII, Danapur
28.07.2026

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