

*Kanhaiya Jee Choudhary*  
*Principal District & Sessions Judge, Purnea*  
*ABP No.-396/2026 (CIS No. 396/2026)*  
*(Arising out of Banmankhi P.S. Case No. 211/13)*  
*Heera Sharma @ Heeralal Panjekar Vs. State of Bihar*  
*Order Dated:- 25.03.2026*

**THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, PURNEA**  
**Anticipatory Bail Petition No. 396/2026 (CIS No. 396/2026)**  
**(Arising out of Banmankhi P.S. Case No. 211/13)**

**IN THE MATTER OF:-**

Heera Sharma @ Heeralal Panjekar, aged about 45 years, S/o Chhedi Sharma @ Chedi Panjekar, R/o Village- Dhokardhara, P.S. Banmankhi, District Purnea. Present address - Village- Palsa, P.S. Azamnagar, District - Katihar ..... Petitioner.

Versus

State of Bihar ..... O.P.

| Date of order or proceeding | Order with signature of the court                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Office action taken with date |
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| 25.03.2026                  | <p>1. This anticipatory bail application filed on 28.02.2026, on behalf of the petitioner, namely, Heera Sharma @ Heeralal Panjekar, who is apprehending his arrest in connection with Banmankhi P.S. Case no. 211/2013 registered for the offence u/s. 147, 341, 323, 325, 328, 354, 504 of I.P.C. is put up for hearing.</p> <p>2. Heard Sri C.K.Chandu, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Sri Uday Keshri, learned P.P. I/c appearing for the State.</p> <p>3. The prosecution case, in brief, is that in the night of 02.01.2013, Arun Das and his wife Soniya Dasin were sleeping in Ram Janki Mandir and at about 11 P.M., all the FIR named accused persons including the petitioner by forming an unlawful assembly came there and assaulted Arun Das and his wife Soniya Dasin and asked about the stolen Astadhatu Idols. Accused Shankar Sharma, Paltu Sharma, Guddu Sharma and Heera Sharma dragged Soniya Dasin in the western side in a field, made her naked and pierced lathi in her private part and other accused persons assaulted Arun Das by hot iron rod.</p> <p>4. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that apart from this case, Banmankhi P.S. Case No. 75/14 was registered against the petitioner in which he is on bail. He</p> |                               |

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| <p>Contd.<br/>25.03.2026</p> | <p>has further submitted that the petitioner is quite innocent and he has falsely been implicated in this case. He has further submitted that the allegations made by the informant in the FIR is not corroborated from the injury report. He has further submitted that other co-accused persons of this case have been granted either regular bail or anticipatory bail and the case of the petitioner stands on similar footing. There is no legal evidence against the petitioner to connect him with the alleged offence. There is no chance of petitioner's absconding. So, prayed for anticipatory bail.</p> <p>On the other hand, learned P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail.</p> <p>5. Having heard the rival contentions of both sides and perused the case record and case diary. From perusal of the same, it appears that the petitioner is named in the FIR but there is no specific overt act against the petitioner. Learned court below has taken cognizance against the petitioner and others under the aforesaid offences vide order dated 24.5.2018 on the basis of materials available in the case diary. On situated fact, FIR named co-accused persons have already been allowed anticipatory by this court vide order dated 04.02.2015 passed in ABP No. 592 of 2014 and 624 of 2014 and co-accused Shakar Sharma has also been allowed Anticipatory bail by this court vide order dated 13.4.2015 passed in ABP No. 423 of 2015 and co-accused Wakil Mallah @ Wakil Kumar Mandal, Sunil Mallah and Prakash Mallah have been allowed Anticipatory bail by this court vide order dated 28.01.2025 passed in ABP No. 2068/24 and the case of this petitioner stands on similar footing.</p> <p>6. Considering the facts and circumstances as discussed above, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner, Heera Sharma @ Heeralal Panjekar is <b>allowed</b> and it is ordered that</p> |  |
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| Contd.<br>25.03.2026 | <p>in the event of arrest/surrender he will be enlarged on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/-(Ten thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court below within a fortnight from the date of receipt of this order subject to the conditions as laid down u/s 438(2) of Cr.P.C. with further condition that one of the bailors should be a resident of territorial jurisdiction of Purnea.</p> <p>Learned Court below will expedite the trial and concluded it at the earliest because the above case is 13 years old.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Dictated &amp; corrected by me)<br/>sd/-<br/>(Kanhaiya Jee Choudhary)<br/>Pr. Distt. &amp; Sessions Judge, Purnea.</p> |  |
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