

**In the Court of Sessions Judge, Vaishali**

**B.P. No. 278/2026**

Yogendra Rai, aged about 50 years S/o Late Binda Rai  
Resident of village – Jamalpur, P.S. - Hajipur Sadar, District – Vaishali.  
:- Petitioner

Versus

State of Bihar :- O.P.

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Appearance :-

Learned counsel for the petitioner : - Sri Subodh Kumar Singh, Advocate

Learned P.P. for the State : Sri Shyam Babu Rai, P.P.

Present : Harshit Singh,  
Sessions Judge, Vaishali.

**Date of order : 1<sup>st</sup>. April 2026**

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The regular bail petition of the above named accused petitioner has been filed u/s 483 of B.N.S.S., who is in judicial custody since 11.02.2026 in connection with Hajipur Sadar P.S. Case No. 860/2025 registered u/ss. 80, 103, 238 & 308 of B.N.S.

Heard the learned counsel for the accused petitioner and learned Public Prosecutor for the State and perused the record.

It is stated in Para 2 of the bail petition that no petition for bail either regular or anticipatory has been moved on behalf of the petitioner before this court or before the Hon'ble High Court, Patna.

The case of the prosecution in brief, as per written report of the informant Rina Devi is that her daughter Rani Devi was married with co-accused Manish Rai in the year 2018 and from their wedlock her daughter was blessed with two children. After birth of her last child, all the accused persons as named in the F.I.R. including the petitioner had started giving pressure to her daughter to bring Rs. 50,000/- as dowry. On refusal by her daughter Rani Devi, they had always committed Mar-pit with Rani Devi and had threatened to kill her if the demand of Rs.50,000/- not fulfilled. It is further alleged that 17.09.2018 co-accused Manish Kumar has snatched all the jewellerys of Rani Devi and mixed poison in meal of Rani Devi and fled away to Bombai. When Rani Devi made complain with her father-in-law, her father-in-law brought her on the road and left there. Thereafter Rani Devi anyhow came to Hajipur Sadar Hospital and got her treated by doctor. On information given by doctor, the

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police of Hajipur Town had come and taken statement of Rani Devi, on which basis Hajipur Sadar P.S. Case no. 594/2018 was lodged u/ss. 498(A), 323, 307/34 I.P.C. and 3/4 D.P. Act against the accused persons, which has been compromised and the accused persons has taken Rani Devi to their house and Rani Devi started living there with the accused persons. After some days, the accused persons again started demanding Rs.50,000/- as dowry and on refusal, they started assaulting her. It is further alleged that due to non-fulfillment of dowry on 16.07.2025 all the accused persons after committing murder of Rani Devi, disappeared her dead body and have not given any information to the informant/complainant. The informant alongwith her neighbour went to Sasural of Rani Devi, where the people of her Sasural were not found and the house was locked. On query from the nearby people, they told that the in-law's people have killed her daughter and disappeared her dead body. The informant went to police station but no action has been taken. It is further alleged that informant's husband alongwith his brother went to the house of the accused persons, the accused persons took signatures of her husband and Devar on different papers.

The learned counsel for the above named accused petitioner submits that the accused petitioner is innocent and has committed no offence. He has falsely been implicated in this case. No occurrence as alleged took place. In fact, the deceased has committed suicide and the informant was informed by him and his family members and the informant and her family members came and participated in the funeral of the deceased but due to ulterior motive and extort the money, the informant has lodged the present false case. Petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased and he never demanded any dowry nor tortured the deceased. Petitioner has no criminal antecedent. He is in judicial custody in this case since 11.02.2026. Hence, prayer has been made to release the petitioner on bail.

Learned Public Prosecutor opposed the prayer for bail.

Heard the parties and perused the trial court record and case diary. From perusal of the trial court record and case diary, it transpires that the accused petitioner is

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named accused in the F.I.R. and it is alleged in the First Information Report which was lodged on the basis of the complaint petition filed by informant/complainant that the petitioner alongwith other co-accused persons committed murder of the informant's daughter Rani Devi due to non-fulfillment of dowry demand of Rs.50,000/- and disappeared her dead body without giving information to the informant and her family members. As per F.I.R. it is also apparent that the deceased was subjected to cruelty for non-fulfillment of dowry demand soon before her death. From perusal of the F.I.R. it also appears that the place of occurrence is matrimonial house of the deceased (house of the petitioner). Petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased. Para 19 of the case diary, which is the supervision note of S.D.P.O. Sadar shows that the cremation of deceased was performed before the maternal relatives of the deceased. However, the accused failed to show, how the deceased died at their house. The informant in her re-statement in Para 10 of the case diary and other witnesses namely Shankar Singh and Banarsi Devi in their statements have supported the prosecution case. The alleged offences are of heinous nature. Para 37 of the case diary shows that previously Sadar P.S. Case No. 594/2018 was lodged on the basis of fardbayan of deceased Rani Devi against the petitioner Yogendra Rai and co-accused Manish Rai, Vikash Kumar and Chinta Devi for the offences u/ss. 498(A), 323, 307/34 I.P.C. and  $\frac{3}{4}$  D.P. Act. The investigation is still going on.

Therefore, considering the aforesaid facts, circumstances of the case as well as nature of allegations, I am not inclined to enlarge the accused petitioner on bail. Accordingly regular bail petition of the above named accused petitioner is rejected.

(Dictated)

(Harshit Singh)  
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