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In the matter of :-

Machhu Sah, Aged- 70 years, Son of Late Ramlalin Sah, R/o Village-
Mahmadpur, PS-Mahnar, District-Vaishali,

..... **Petitioner**

Versus

The State of Bihar

..... **Opposite Party**

Order

19.03.2026

The petitioner named above apprehending his arrest in connection with Mahnar PS Case no. 236/2025, u/s 80/238, 3(5) of BNS Act, 2023 and hence instant petition for the grant of anticipatory bail has been filed on his behalf.

Heard the learned lawyer for the accused/petitioner as well as Learned APP on behalf of state.

The prosecution case in short is that Santosh Kumar Sah is the informant of this case. It is alleged in his written application that on 14.06.2025 at about 03:00 PM, Muneshwar Sah, Son of Late Bhagwan Sah, called him from mobile no. 9818409308 and said that (i)Arvind Kumar Sah, (ii) Kanchan Devi, (iii) Anand Kumar Sah, (iv) Kavita Devi, (v) Naveen Kumar Sah, (vi)Machu Sah, (vii)Geeta Devi all from Mahmadpur, PS-Mahnar had killed her daughter and made the body disappear. When he arrived at her sasural with his villagers then found that everyone had locked the house and fled. Upon inquiry from nearby people it

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came to know that between 09:00 and 10:00 in the morning, all the above mentioned accused killed her daughter and fled with her body. When his elder brother Satyendra Sah spoke at 03:30 PM on his mobile number from son-in-law Arvind Kumar Sah's father Machhu Sah, Machhu Sah informed that Khusbu Kumari had committed suicide and was being taken to a doctor in Samastipur, but she died on the way. Therefore, they are returning the body to Mahmadpur. However, they did not bring the body back. He had married his daughter with great pomp on 17.06.2024 with Arvind Kumar Sah as per Hindu customs and traditions and had given Rs. 4 lakh and 50 grams of gold and all the household items as gifts. The further prosecution case is that last week ago, his daughter Khusbu Kumari had told her younger sister Neetu Kumari that her husband Arvind Kumar Sah is telling her that you should ask your father for Rs. 2 lakhs otherwise he will kill him and the child growing in her womb. He has firm belief that his son-in-law along with other accused persons named above had committed murder of her daughter and conceal her body. Accordingly, with the said allegation FIR has been instituted.

Learned counsel for petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has falsely implicated in this case. It is further submitted that no any occurrence as alleged took place ever since and entire story of murder is out and out false and totally booked up. It is further submitted that petitioner is old aged persons and he is father-in-law of the deceased. It is further submitted that petitioner is ready to furnish bail bond with sound sureties and are also ready to

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abide the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of BNS. It is therefore prayed that petitioner be admitted to anticipatory bail.

Ld. APP opposed the petition and submitted that this is the case of murder and the petitioner is named accused in the FIR and there is specific allegation against him of torturing the deceased in demand of dowry and due to non-fulfillment of the same committed her murder with the help of other co-accused persons. Hence his anticipatory bail application is fit to be rejected.

From perusal of LCR and case diary it transpires that petitioner is named accused in the FIR and there is specific allegation against him of torturing the daughter of informant in demand of dowry and due to non fulfillment of the same committed her murder and conceal her body with the help of other co-accused persons.

In the above facts, circumstances and also considering the fact that the accused/petitioner is father-in-law of deceased. The marriage is alleged to have performed on 17.06.2024 with accused/petitioner Arvind Kumar Sah and at the time of marriage Rs. 4 Lakhs and 50 grams gold, other household articles were given as gift but after marriage accused/petitioner along with his son, wife and other relatives started demanding Rs. 2 lakhs and threatened to kill the victim alongwith child of 3 months in the womb. The marriage was performed on 17.06.2024 and the death has been caused on 14.06.2025 and soon before her death there was demand for dowry and cruelty for non-fulfillment of dowry. Earlier the anticipatory bail of the other co-accused persons have already been

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rejected by this court vide ABP no.2034/2025, dated 30.10.2025 and the case of this petitioner stands on similar footings. Hence I am of the opinion that it is not a fit case to admit the accused/petitioner to anticipatory bail and hence his anticipatory bail application is hereby rejected.

Dictated

Md. Gheyasuddin
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