

In the Court of Sessions Judge, Vaishali

B.P. No. 493/2026

Chunnu Manjhi @n Channu Manjhi, aged about 75 years S/o Late Dhani Manjhi.
Resident of village – Fatehpur Kataru, P.S. - Belsar O.P., District – Vaishali.
:- Petitioner

Versus

State of Bihar :- O.P.

Appearance :-

Learned counsel for the petitioner : Sri Manoj Kumar, Advocate

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

Present : Harshit Singh,
Sessions Judge, Vaishali.

Date of order : 22nd. May 2026

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 10.03.2026 in connection with Vaishali (Belsar O.P.) P.S. Case No. 106/2019 for the offences u/ss. 302 & 201/34 of I.P.C..

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 earlier anticipatory bail petition of the petitioner was rejected by this court vide A.B.P. No. 1853/2022 and thereafter anticipatory bail petition vide Cr. Misc. No. 38882/2023 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court, Patna, which was withdrawn by the petitioner.

The case of the prosecution in brief, is that the informant's brother namely Binod Manjhi was residing alongwith his wife Sarita Devi and four children in his Sasural. The informant's brother used to live outside for earning his livelihood. Whenever the informant's brother used to come from the outside, he used to reside in his Sasural. The members of his Sasural always used to assault and torture him. For the last some days the informant's brother was living in her Sasural. On 20.03.2019 at 6 A.M. the informant got information on mobile that wife and father-in-law of his brother namely Sarita Devi and **Channu Manjhi** alongwith 4-5 other persons committed murder of his brother by assaulting with bricks, stones and disappeared his dead body. On this information the

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informant went there but he has not found his brother and the family members of his Sasural were absconding. The informant has full confidence that his brother was murdered by his wife Sarita Devi, father-in-law Channu Manjhi alongwith 4-5 associates and they disappeared his dead body.

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. The entire allegations are false and concocted. In fact, the deceased Vinod Manjhi was heavy drunker and wandered here and there and he was killed by some other persons. Petitioner has no criminal antecedent as mentioned in Para 3 of this bail petition. Petitioner is in judicial custody in this case since 10.03.2026. Hence, prayer has been made for bail.

The learned Public Prosecutor for the State opposed the prayer for bail.

Heard both the parties and perused the trial court record and the case diary. From perusal of the trial court record and the case diary, it transpires that the accused petitioner is named accused of the F.I.R. and there is allegation against him of committing murder of the informant's brother and disappearing his dead body. Petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased. The informant in his re-statement in Para 2 and other witnesses in Para 3, 4 & 5 of the case diary have supported the prosecution case whereas the witnesses namely Ram Dayal Manjhi in Para 14, Raghunandan Manjhi in Para 15 and Anjani Kumari aged about 15 years (daughter of deceased) in Para 16 of the case diary have stated that deceased himself died after consuming poison and dead body was cremated. It appears that if the members of the family knew that the deceased died due to consuming poison, then why it was not informed to the police rather his dead body was cremated. The charge-sheet has been submitted against the petitioner.

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Therefore, considering the aforesaid facts, circumstances of the case as well as gravity of the offences, 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)
Sessions Judge, Vaishali

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