

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No.2887 of 2025

1. Kajal Devi, aged about 47 years, Wife of Baneshwar Murmu,
2. Baneshwar Murmu, aged about 49 years, son of Sitaram Murmu,
3. Sanjay Murmu, S/o Baneshwar Murmu, aged about 28 years, all resident of Village- Chakplaiya, P.O.- Kalyanpur, P.S. Barwadda, District- Dhanbad (Jharkhand).

... .. **Petitioners**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand.
2. Lakhindra Baski, S/o Late Ashutosh Baski

... .. **Opposite Party**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s)	:	Mr. Suraj Singh, Advocate Mr. Sunil Singh, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Anup Pawan Topno, APP

03/ 11.07.2025

Heard the parties.

2. This anticipatory bail application under Sections 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, has been preferred by the petitioner apprehending his arrest in connection with Barwadda P.S. Case No.39 of 2025, for offences under Sections 80, 3(5) of the B.N.S., 2023. The case is presently pending before the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Dhanbad.

3. The informant stated that because of demand of dowry and torture, his daughter was done to death by the in-laws.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that husband of the deceased was drunkard that is the reason, the deceased has consumed poison. He further submits that the petitioner Nos.1 & 2 are the mother-in-law and father-in-law and petitioner No.3 is brother-in-law. There is no direction allegation against them.

5. After hearing the parties, I find that the case is under Section 80 of B.N.S, 2023. The petitioners are in-laws. Further the marriage had taken place in June, 2024 and the deceased died unnatural death on February, 2025 which is less than a year from the date of marriage. The death is definitely unnatural as the death

is by poison. There is a demand of dowry also. All these facts clearly suggests that the petitioners who are in-laws are involved in the offence as the statute provides that they are presumed to have committed the offence, thus, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, at this stage, the same is **dismissed**.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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