

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 3140 of 2026

Reema Devi, aged about 27 years, wife of Late Deepak Kumar and daughter of Kamlesh Paswan, resident of Village- Butbedhwa, P.O. & P.S. Windhumgunj, Dist. Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh, presently residing at Village- Hoorka, P.O. & P.S. Bhawnathpur, Dist.- Garhwa

... **Petitioner**

-Versus-

The State of Jharkhand

... **Opposite Party**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : Mr. Vinod Kumar, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Arup Kumar Dey, A.P.P.

02/18.06.2026 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending her arrest in connection with Bhawnathpur P.S. Case No.34/2026, registered for the offence under Sections 103(1), 3(5) of the BNS, pending in the Court of the learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Nagar Untari, Garhwa.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be wife of the deceased and false allegation is made against the petitioner and others of deliberately putting the deceased on fire that too in the house of this petitioner. He also submits that circumstances are not against this petitioner and in view of that, anticipatory bail may kindly be granted to the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and submits that entire family members have put the deceased on fire that too after covering his face by towel and, thereafter, the deceased was put in a room and subsequently it was locked and he died. On these grounds, he submits that the prayer for anticipatory bail may kindly be rejected.

5. In the FIR, there is allegation that the deceased was in habit of assaulting the petitioner, who is the wife of the deceased and, thereafter, the petitioner has left her matrimonial house and came to her paternal house and on the fateful day, the deceased in intoxicated condition came to the petitioner's paternal house and started abusing the petitioner and her parents and on that day, since the deceased was in intoxicated condition, prima facie it appears that he was not in good condition and, thereafter his face was covered by towel and he was put on fire and further allegation is there that the deceased was locked in the room and that has occurred in the in-laws house of the deceased and in the attending facts and circumstances of the case, I am not inclined to extend the privilege of anticipatory bail to the petitioner and, as such, her prayer for anticipatory bail is, hereby, rejected.

6. Accordingly, this application is dismissed.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated: 18th June, 2026
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