

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A. B. A. No. 5067 of 2026

Ranju Devi, aged about 54 years, wife of Jagdishwar Thakur, resident of
village -Choudharidih, P.O. and P.S. Sariya, District-Giridih
..... Petitioner
Versus
The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI
For the Petitioner :Mr. Kamdeo Pandey, Advocate
For the State : Mrs. Anuradha Sahay, A.P.P.

02/ 09.09.2026: Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending her arrest in connection with
Saria P.S. Case No. 71 of 2026, registered under sections 80(2), 61(2), 3(5)
of BNS, pending in the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class,
Giridih.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner
happens to be mother-in-law of the deceased and deceased jumped in a well
and pursuant to that she died. He next submits that quarrel has taken place
between husband and wife as the deceased was intent to go to Mumbai
along with her husband but her husband refused to take her wife saying that
he is not in a position to keep her wife in Mumbai and due to that reason the
deceased jumped in a well. He next submits that if any allegation is there
that is against her husband and the petitioner is said to be mother-in-law and
there are general and omnibus allegations. On these grounds, he submits
that the petitioner may kindly be provided privilege of anticipatory bail.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer and submits
that petitioner happens to be the mother-in-law of the deceased and in view
of that anticipatory bail of the petitioner may kindly be rejected.

5. On perusal of F.I.R, it transpires that there are general and

omnibus allegations of demand of dowry against all the accused persons and it has been pointed out that the deceased was intent to go to Mumbai along with her husband but her husband refused to take her wife saying that he is not in a position to keep her wife in Mumbai and due to that reason the deceased jumped in a well. The petitioner is said to be mother-in-law of the deceased.

6. In the attending facts and circumstances of the case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the above named, petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned court within three weeks from today and in the event of her surrender / arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty five thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Giridih, in connection with Saria P.S. Case No. 71 of 2026, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of B.N.S.S, 2023.

Dt.09.09.2026

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(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)