

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 232 of 2026

Renu Devi, aged about 49 years, wife of Om Prakash Mehra, resident of Khoradah, Karnibag, Ashram, P.O. Deoghar, P.S. Deoghar (T), District-Deoghar, Jharkhand
... Petitioner

-Versus-

The State of Jharkhand
... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : None
For the State : Mr. Sardhu Mahto, A.P.P.
For the Informant : None

05/04.05.2026 On repeated calls, neither the counsel for the petitioner nor the counsel for the informant is present. Learned counsel for the State is present.

2. The petitioner is apprehending her arrest in connection with Deoghar (T) P.S. Case No.467/2025, dated 14.10.2025, registered for the offence under Sections 103(1), 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, pending in the Court of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Deoghar.

3. It has been averred in the petition that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case with an intention to harass and blackmail her. It has also been averred that this petitioner is a house lady and her husband is a patient of paralysis and she is only person to attend him in daily routine and the deceased was residing separately from her husband namely Saroj Das since 28.11.2021. It has been further averred that the deceased has re-married with one Rahul Kumar after taking divorce. On these grounds, anticipatory bail has been sought.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and submits that the allegations are there and the witnesses have supported the case.

5. Looking into the contents of the FIR, it transpires that the deceased was married with Saroj Das as per Hindu rites in the year 2014 and out of the said wedlock, they had blessed with one daughter aged about 9 years and on last date i.e. 13.10.2025 at about 02:30 PM, his samdhin Renu Devi called the informant's wife on her mobile that her daughter has hanged herself. On the body of the deceased, there was mark of hanging and entire body was in swelling condition and the cloth was also torn. The informant's son-in-law along with his mother and daughter had come to the house of the informant about 4 days ago and had told to withdraw the case of Sarath P.S., failing which, his daughter would be killed and on that day itself, his grand daughter Pari Kumari was left in his house. The witness-Khushboo Kumari has stated that on the date of occurrence, the husband of the deceased had come with the deceased and had fled away after breaking the gate. The postmortem report suggests that the cause of death of the deceased was shown as asphyxia due to hanging. Further, the allegations are there against the petitioner of torturing the deceased.

6. 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.

7. Accordingly, this application is dismissed.

8. Interim order granted by this Court is vacated.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

*Dated: 4th May, 2026
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