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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : AB/1585/2026

SRI PADMA KANTA BORAH
SON OF LATE DASARATH BORA RESIDENT OF NORTH HAIBORGAON
LAKHOWA ROAD KAILASH NAGAR PO PS HAIBORGAON DISTRICT
NAGAON ASSAM PIN 782002

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM
REPRESENTED BY ITS PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, ASSAM

Advocate for the Petitioner : MS. M K BROWN, MS. S DEB

Advocate for the Respondent : PP, ASSAM,

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANJAN MONI KALITA

ORDER

Date : 20.07.2026

Heard Mr. T.J. Mahanta, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr. M.K. Brown, learned counsel for the accused applicants. Also heard Mr. K.K. Parasar learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the State.

2. This is an application filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 praying for grant of pre-arrest bail to the accused applicant Sri Padma Kanta Borah in connection with Nagaon P.S. Case No.496/2026 registered under Sections 61(2)/336(3)/338/340(2) of BNS, Act 2023.

3. The facts leading to the filing of the instant application are that an FIR was lodged by one Mridul Kumar Nath, Inspector of Schools, Nagaon, alleging that certain schools under the jurisdiction of Nagaon district submitted documents for procuring DISE codes along with certain forged documents. Being suspicious on involvement of one Mridu Plawan Das, the instant FIR has been lodged. It has been submitted in the FIR that departmental enquiry is going on.

4. Pursuant to the FIR, the police started the investigation, and during the course of the investigation, it was found that various documents relating to the school authorities were submitted, which are suspicious.

5. The learned senior counsel for the accused applicant submits that he is a Statistical and Planning Officer posted in Nagaon working under the Education Department of Govt. of Assam. He submits that the accused applicant is not involved in any kind of forgery that has been alleged in the FIR and he is going to retire in seven months time. He is a responsible citizen and will be cooperating in the investigation and therefore prays that at this stage he should be granted some interim relief.

6. Taking into account the aforesaid facts and circumstance of the case; and after perusal of the documents that have been enclosed with the application, this Court is of the considered opinion that the accused applicant should be granted some interim protection at this stage.

7. Accordingly, it is directed that in the event of arrest of the accused applicant in connection with Nagaon P.S. Case No.496/2026, by the arresting authority, he

shall be released on interim pre-arrest bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.50,000/- with a surety of the like amount subject to the following condition:-

a) The accused applicant shall appear before the Investigating Authority within seven days from the date of passing of the order and shall cooperate with the investigation.

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List the matter on 05.08.2026.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant