



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.1486 of 2026

J. Sridhara @ Buji

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Petitioner

Mr. S. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

...

Opposite Party

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY
ORDER(ORAL)25.03.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is an application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Sadar P.S. Case No. 213 of 2024 corresponding to ST No.419/05 of 2024-25 pending in the file of learned Court of Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-PO, OPID, Sambalpur, for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.103(1)/ 115(2)/ 117(2)/ 109(1) of BNS, on the main allegation of committing murder of one Satyanarayan Panigrahi @ Tuna by assaulting him and others by means of stick.
3. Heard, Mr. Surendra Mohanty, learned counsel for the petitioner appearing virtually and Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Addl. PP in the matter and perused the record including the copy of depositions of Pws.1-5.
4. After having considered the rival submissions upon perusal of record, there appears allegation against the petitioner for committing murder of the deceased and assaulting the injured Prafulla Badi & Manas Rout who having been examined as PW.4 and 5 have not supported the prosecution allegation against the petitioner. Besides



one of the witness to the disclosure statement of the petitioner namely Susanta Behera being examined as PW.4 has not supported the prosecution case. On the other hand, the petitioner is in custody since 13.09.2024. In the aforesaid facts and situation, and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offence as alleged against the petitioner, but keeping in view the mode and manner of implication of the present petitioner and the injured eye witnesses having not supported the prosecution case and last but not the least, taking into account the inherent right of the accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial, this Court without expressing any view on merit, admits the petitioner to bail.

5. Hence, the bail application of the Petitioner stand allowed and the Petitioner is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-five Thousand) only with two solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it.

6. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge