



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.1140 of 2026

Tapan Kumar Sasmal

.... **Petitioner**
Mr. S. G. Das, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha

.... **Opposite Party**
Mr. S. K. Lenka, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER

25.02.2026

Order No.

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1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS by the petitioner seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Khandagiri P.S. Case No.190 of 2021 corresponding to C.T. Case No.1904 of 2021 pending in the court of learned S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. The petitioner had earlier approached this Court in ABLAPL No. 4261 of 2021 but he has not granted pre-arrest bail, whereas, his wife was allowed. It is submitted to the Court that a compromise has been reached at between both the sides. A copy of the affidavit on compromise is produced by learned counsel for the petitioner. The said affidavit is dated 26th July, 2025, which is subsequent to the rejection order dated 29th April, 2021 in the ABLAPL. It has been agreed upon that the petitioner, who was by then Principal of the educational institution, shall arrange and ensure issuance of INC certificates for the students, who



lodged the FIR against him. Considering the above facts and submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties and since the compromise has been arrived a revealed from the affidavit dated 26th July, 2025, this Court is though not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail to him but is of the view that the petitioner should be allowed to go on bail upon his surrender before the learned court below subject to confirmation regarding the compromise, which is claimed at present.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL petition stands disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to surrender before learned S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar within a fortnight from today and in the event, he surrenders in compliance thereof, shall be released on bail in connection with C.T. Case No.1904 of 2021 on furnishing a bail bond of Rs.30,000/- (rupees thirty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the court below, which shall be at liberty to impose such other suitable conditions as deemed just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case besides the following, such as, he shall cooperate the I.O. in the investigation, till it is over. The above order shall be given effect to provide that there is a compromise between both the sides to be confirmed by the learned court below with the assistance of the local PS.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge