



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.1160 of 2026

Arun Bag @ Bagh

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Petitioner

Mr. G. S. Dash, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER

25.02.2026

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1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and State.
2. Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS by the petitioner seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Muniguda P.S. Case No.239 of 2025 corresponding to G.R. Case No.351 of 2025 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C., Bissamcuttack on the grounds stated.
3. From the FIR i.e. Annexure-1, the Court finds that buffalos were being transported in a Bolero Pick-up vehicle which was intercepted by the local police and with the arrest of the co-accused, namely, P. Kusulia and in that connection, the petitioner apprehends his implication as submitted by learned counsel appearing for him. It is also submitted that the present accused does not have any other antecedent. It is claimed that the co-accused named above has already been granted bail in the meantime. The statement of the informant is at Annexure-2. Considering the fact that the involvement of the petitioner is



alleged with the disclosure made by the other accused nabbed at the spot and that he has no other similar antecedent claimed to be a first time offender, recording the objection of the State, this Court, though not inclined to grant him pre-arrest bail but is of the view that he should be directed to surrender before the learned court below for being released with stringent conditions.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. It is further directed that in the event, the petitioner surrenders before the learned J.M.F.C., Bissamcuttack in connection with Muniguda P.S. Case No.239 of 2025 corresponding to G.R. Case No.351 of 2025 within a fortnight from today, he shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bail bond of Rs.50,000/-(rupees fifty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount with such other conditions imposed besides the following, such as, he shall co-operate the IO in the investigation while on bail. The above order, as is directed, shall not be given effect to, if the petitioner is having past antecedent of similar nature.

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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge