



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No.1225 of 2025

Rajendra Bag

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Petitioner

Ms. P. Naidu, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mrs. U.R.Padhi, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

ORDER

26.03.2025

Order No.

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1. Heard Ms. Naidu, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mrs. Padhi, learned ASC for the State.

2. Instant petition is filed for release of the petitioner on bail in connection with Special G.R Case no 69 of 2024 arising out of Tusura P.S Case No. 227 of 2024 pending in the file of learned Special Judge, Balangir on the grounds stated therein.

3. Ms. Naidu, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the plea for release of the petitioner on bail was denied by this Court vide BLAPL No. 9295 of 2024, a copy of which is produced in Court today. The said order is at flag-B as well. The further submission is that petitioner was granted the liberty to renew the prayer for bail after the filing of the chargesheet. It is informed to the Court that the chargesheet was filed on 4th January, 2025 and hence, considering the same, the petitioner should be released on bail. It is claimed that the petitioner is having one antecedent of Excise case. With such submission, bail for the petitioner is pleaded. An objection is received from Mrs. Padhi, learned ASC for the State on the ground that the



recovery and alleged seizure is related to commercial quantity of contraband Ganja. On a reading of the F.I.R. as at Annexure-1 and rejection order i.e. Annexure-2, the Court finds the petitioner to have remained in custody ever since arrested. The other accused persons were granted bail vide BLAPL No. 9295 of 2024 while declining the same in respect of the petitioner. Considering the above facts and submissions of the learned counsel for the respective parties and as in the meantime, with the closure of investigation the chargesheet is filed, recording the objection of Mrs. Padhi, learned ASC for the State, the Court is inclined to allow the petitioner to go on bail, however, with stringent conditions.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the petition stands allowed. As a necessary corollary, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail in connection with Special G.R Case no 69 of 2024 arising out of Tusura P.S Case no 227 of 2024 subject to him furnishing a bail bond of Rs.50,000/- (rupees fifty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge, Balangir, who shall be at liberty to impose such other conditions besides the following, such as, he shall not commit similar offence, while on bail and to furnish an undertaking at the local P.S. in that behalf and at the same time, to attend the enquiry and trial on each date of its posting without default, till the same is concluded.

6. The BLAPL stands disposed of.

7. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rules.

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(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge