



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 1392 of 2026

Arun Kumar Pati

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Petitioner

Mr. Uma Shankar Patel, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.K. Lenka, ASC

Mr. D.D. Naik, Advocate for the Informant

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

ORDER

25.03.2026

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1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed seeking pre-arrest bail of the petitioner in connection with G.R. Case No.123 of 2026 pending in the file of learned SDJM, Sundargarh arising out of Lephripara P.S. Case No.13 of 2026 on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. This Court by order dated 12th March, 2026 directed service of notice on the informant. Mr. Naik, learned counsel for the informant submits that the victim has been deceived by the petitioner. Mr. Patel, learned counsel for the petitioner appears through the virtual mode and submits that the informant is aged about 42 years and it was a consensual relationship between the parties. It is informed to the Court that the parties are married but developed



such a relationship while working together in the Block Education Office, Lephripara in the district of Sundargarh. It is alleged that the petitioner is threatening the informant after his transfer from the said place of posting. Considering the above facts and since the parties are adults and on their own developed the friendship and maintained relationship though subsequently broken, this Court recording the objection of the State though not inclined to granting pre-arrest bail but is of the view that the petitioner since a Government servant like the informant should be allowed to go on bail upon his surrender and accordingly, it is ordered.

4. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. In the event, the petitioner surrenders before the court of learned SDJM, Sundargarh within a fortnight from today, it is directed that he shall be released on bail in connection with G.R. Case No.123 of 2026 corresponding to Lephripara P.S. Case No.13 of 2026 on furnishing a bail bond of Rs.30,000/-(rupees thirty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount with such other conditions imposed by the learned court below besides the following such as; he shall not terrorize the informant and cause any harm to her in any manner whatsoever while on bail and to report the I.O. for the purpose of investigation.

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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge