



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.1719 of 2026

Susama Behera & another **Petitioners**
Mr. L. Rayatsingh, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha **Opposite Party**
Mr. S.K. Lenka, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
24.03.2026

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1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and State.
2. Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS by the petitioners seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Khordha P.S. Case No.1 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.07 of 2026 pending in the court of learned S.D.J.M., Khordha on the grounds stated.
3. Gone through the FIR as at Annexure-1. The alleged occurrence took place on 2nd January, 2026 on the eve of New Year. It is submitted to the Court by learned counsel for the petitioners that the alleged incident took place when the informant abused the accused persons and it was retaliated. It is claimed that no one received any serious injury not even informant and considering the circumstances under which the



alleged incident took place, the petitioners having no other antecedent should be directed to go on bail which is opposed by learned counsel for the State but regard being had to the fact that the occurrence has been reported by the informant with the allegations regarding her modesty being outraged with injuries inflicted upon and recording claim of learned counsel for the petitioners that no any serious injury received by her or anyone else for that matter, this Court, under the impression that substantial part of investigation must have been over by now since the incident is of the month January, 2026, is inclined to direct the petitioners to surrender before the learned court below for being released with stringent conditions instead of considering their plea of pre-arrest bail.

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 petitioners surrender before the court of learned S.D.J.M., Khordha in connection with Khordha P.S. Case No.01 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.07 of 2026 within a fortnight from today, they shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bail bond of Rs.20,000/-(rupees twenty thousand) each with one solvent surety for the like amount each with other conditions imposed besides the following, such as, not to cause any harm or injury to the informant and her family members, in any manner, whatsoever, while on bail. The above order, as further directed, shall not be given effect to, if the informant or anyone



else has received grievous injury on account of the alleged assault.

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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

TUDU