



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**BLAPL No.1235 of 2026**

***Gayadhar Behera***

..

***Petitioner***

*Mr. A. Bhoi, Advocate*

*-versus-*

***State of Odisha***

..

***Opposite Party***

*Mr. T.K. Acharya, Addl. PP*

**JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY**

**ORDER(ORAL)**

**25.02.2026**

**Order No.**

**01.**

1. This is a bail application U/S.483 of the BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Kuldiha Wildlife Range Office, Nilgiri Offence Report No. 15<sup>k</sup> of 2025-26 corresponding to 2(b) CC Case No.183 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned CJM, Balasore for commission of offences punishable U/Ss. 9/39(1)(d)/43/44/48/48(A)/49/49(A)/49(B) r/w Sections 2(2)/ 2(11)/ 2(14)/ 2(16)/ 2(18)/ 2(23)/ 2(31)/ 2(36) of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972, on the main allegation of acting as a broker for facilitating illegal business deal between the parties for sell and purchase of tusk, molar teeth, skin of wild animals.
2. Heard, Mr. Aparesh Bhoi, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. T.K. Acharya, learned Addl. PP in the matter and perused the record including the copy of deposition of the victim.
3. Admittedly, the Petitioner is in custody since 27.12.2025, but in the meantime, substantial part of the investigation is already over. Besides, the Petitioner



is implicated in this case on the basis of statement of co-accused and nothing was recovered from the exclusive possession of the present Petitioner. In addition, co-accused Bipin @ Bipan Mallik, Jayanta Mallik, Ananta Jena, Prasanta Kumar Malik and Sashikanta Behera were stated to have already been granted bail in the meantime. In the aforesaid facts and situation and taking into consideration the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of the accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial, this Court without expressing any view on merits admits the Petitioner to bail.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and the petitioner is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) only with two solvent sureties for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it.

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

**(G. Satapathy)**  
**Judge**