



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.1650 of 2026

Bhimsen Ojha

.... **Petitioner**

Mr. B. Dalai, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha

.... **Opposite Party**

Mr. M.K. Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER

23.03.2026

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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 Badagad P.S. Case No.390 of 2017 corresponding to C.T. Case No.5250 of 2017 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C. (IV), Bhubaneswar on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. For a fake sale of a piece of land purportedly purchased by the petitioner, the FIR was lodged and the deed was subsequently cancelled at the instance of the informant's mother. A copy of the cancellation deed and RoR in support of the land is at Annexure-2. It is submitted that the petitioner made a payment of Rs.15 lac for the alleged transaction, but the so-called owner was fake, hence, the FIR. After the cancellation deed, the land has returned to the original Khata while claiming so, a copy of the RoR is produced by the learned counsel for the petitioner and



the same is taken on record. The Court finds that some of the accused persons are on bail pursuant to the orders in the ABLAPLs in record. The petitioner is said to have one more criminal case of the year 2016 vide Bidanasi P.S. Case No.131 dated 31st December, 2016 registered under Sections 419, 420 and 468 read with 34 IPC. It is claimed that the petitioner was involved therein having identified a piece of land and being a witness to the transaction. Considering the above facts and submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties and that the petitioner being buyer of the case land which has been restored to the original Khata with the cancellation deed of the informant's mother and 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 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 court of learned J.M.F.C. (IV), Bhubaneswar in connection with Badagad P.S. Case No.390 of 2017 corresponding to C.T. Case No.5250 of 2017 within a fortnight from today, he shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bail bond of Rs.30,000/-(rupees thirty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount and to furnish an undertaking that he shall not be involved in similar criminal activities, while on bail and to co-operate the IO in the investigation, till its completion.



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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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