



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.1712 of 2026

Swapnarani Behera & others Petitioners

Mr. Satyabrata Dash, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha Opposite Party

Mr. M.K. Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

ORDER

24.03.2026

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1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed for pre-arrest bail of the petitioners in connection with Jenapur P.S. Case No.25 of 2026 corresponding to C.T. Case No.152 of 2026 pending in the file of learned J.M.F.C., Chandikhole on the grounds stated therein.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1 and therein, the alleged incident is narrated. The reason behind the incident has been described in detail in the report. It is alleged that the accused persons assaulted the informant throwing hot water at him and as a result, both received injuries. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the injury received by the informant's husband is not serious. It is informed that petitioner No.7 has been arrested by the police in the meantime. Admittedly, the names of the petitioners are mentioned in the FIR. This Court further finds that the petitioners committed overt act against the informant and even outraged her modesty



but it was an incident on account of dispute between the parties. The names of some lady members are revealed from the FIR. Considering the above facts and the objection of the State, this Court is not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail to anyone but is of the view that petitioner Nos.4, 5, 6 & 8 should be directed to surrender before the learned court below seeking regular bail, whereas, others should be allowed to go on bail upon their surrender before the learned court below excluding petitioner No.7, who has already been arrested.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of. It is directed that in the event, petitioner Nos.1, 2, 3, 9 & 10 surrender within a fortnight from today before the learned J.M.F.C., Chandikhole in connection with Jenapur P.S. Case No.25 of 2026 corresponding to C.T. Case No.152 of 2026, they shall be released on bail with conditions, whereas, in respect of others upon receiving applications from them seeking regular bail, it shall be considered and disposed of in the 1st hour and in case of rejection, they shall approach the learned Sessions Court during the second hour for orders on the same day. It is further directed that the petitioners, who are allowed to go on bail shall not commit any further mischief with the family of the informant and to furnish an undertaking in the local P.S. in that regard.

6. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge