



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.1705 of 2026

Prakash Behera & another **Petitioners**
Mr. Amitav Tripathy, 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 Fategarh P.S. Case No.20 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.19 of 2026 pending in the file of learned J.M.F.C., Bhapur on the grounds stated therein.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexuer-1. The case diary is produced. Mr. Tripathy, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 was in relationship with the informant and the alleged incident took place, during which, the latter was manhandled. On a reading of the FIR, it is revealed that for the mischief committed by the petitioners, it has led to outrage of the modesty of the informant in the manner described therein. The statements of the witnesses recorded during investigation are also produced along with the case diary. On a further reading, it suggests that petitioner No.1 and the informant alleged to have lived like husband and wife and there was dispute over money and quarrels between them



frequently. The victim informant is claimed to be a married lady aged about 35 years. Considering the above facts and absence of injury caused to the informant and though, she has been outraged during and in course of the alleged incident, this Court not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, however, is of the view that they should be directed to surrender before the learned court below for being released with suitable conditions imposed.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of. It is directed that in the event, the petitioners surrender within a fortnight from today before the learned J.M.F.C., Bhapur in connection with Fategarh P.S. Case No.20 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.19 of 2026, they shall be released on bail subject to them on furnishing a bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) each with one solvent surety for the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned court below, which shall be at liberty to impose such other suitable conditions as deemed just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case besides the following, such as, they shall not cause any harm or injury to the informant in any manner whatsoever, while on bail and to cooperate the I.O. in the investigation as and when summoned.

6. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge