



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 1817 of 2026

Kuna Mantry @ Kuna Mantri **Petitioner**

Mr. M. Das, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha **Opposite Party**

Mr. B.P. Nayak, AGA

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

Order
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26.03.2026

01. 1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed seeking pre-arrest bail of the petitioner in connection with C.T. Case No.251 of 2025 pending in the file of learned J.M.F.C, Daringbadi arising out of Daringbadi P.S. Case No.181 of 2025 on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. Gone through the statements of the witnesses examined during investigation recorded under Section 180 BNSS at Annexure-2 series. A copy of the chargesheet is at Annexure-3. It is submitted to the Court that the petitioner has been falsely implicated by the informant, who according to the witnesses examined by the police is a notorious lady and while claiming so, Annexure-2 series is referred to. The further submission is that in view of the above facts and relationship between the petitioner and



informant as nephew and aunt, this Court should allow the petitioner to go on bail with any conditions. Recorded the objection of the State. The investigation is concluded with the filing of the chargesheet in the month of November, 2025. From the FIR i.e. Annexure-1, it is made to suggest that the petitioner forcibly maintained sexual relationship with the informant, a married lady. The other events that happened with the parties are narrated in the FIR. From the statements of the witnesses, namely, Suraj Pradhan, Bikram Pradhan and Sumala Mantri, it is made to appear that the informant does not have a good reputation and she had earlier registered a false case against one named, who was arrested by the local police. Considering the submissions as above and materials on record and since, the investigation is concluded, this Court is of the view that the petitioner, a young man aged about 24 years and happens to the relation of the informant as revealed from the statements of witnesses examined during investigation, he should be allowed to go on bail with conditions instead of entertaining any such plea for pre-arrest bail as pleaded by him.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. In the event, the petitioner surrenders before the court of learned J.M.F.C, Daringbadi within fortnight from today, it is directed that he shall be released on bail in connection with C.T. Case No.251 of 2025 corresponding to Daringbadi P.S. Case No.181 of 2025 on



furnishing a bail bond of Rs.20,000/-(rupees twenty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount with such other conditions imposed as deemed just and proper and in the facts and circumstances of the case.

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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

Rojina