



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

Sameer Pauley

(In BLAPL No.1400 of 2026)

Swagat Patel @

Swagat Kumar Patel

(In BLAPL No.1500 of 2026) ...

Petitioners

*Mr. M. Kanungo, Sr. Advocate along
with Mr. D. Acharya, Advocate
(in both these BLAPLs)*

-versus-

State of Odisha

... Opposite Party

Mr. C. Mohanty, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL):24.03.2026

Order No.

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1. Since these two bail applications arise out of one and same case record, the same are heard together and disposed of by this common order with the consent of the learned counsel for the parties.
2. These are the bail applications U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioners for grant of bail in connection with Bhasma PS Case No.06 of 2026 corresponding to GR Case No.25 of 2026 pending in the file of learned JMFC (Rural), Sundargarh, for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.75(3)/77/78(2)/308(2) of BNS r/w Sections 66-E/67/67-A/67-B of IT Act, on the main allegation of getting the obscene and nude photographs of the victim viral.
3. Heard, Mr. Milan Kanungo, learned Senior Counsel who is being assisted by Mr. Dipankar Acharya, learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr. C. Mohanty, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record.
4. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the



offences as alleged against the petitioners vis-a-vis the accusations sought to be brought against them and regard being had to the pre-trial detention of the petitioners in custody since 14.01.2026 with submission of charge-sheet in the meantime and keeping in view the main allegation of taking/capturing the indecent photographs of the victim being directed against co-accused Somnath Patel, who is not before this Court in these bail applications and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the statement of the victim and keeping in view 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 each of the petitioners to bail.

5. Hence, these two bail applications of the petitioners namely Sameer Pauley (In BLAPL No.1400 of 2026) and Swagat Patel @ Swagat Kumar Patel (In BLAPL No.1500 of 2026) are allowed and each of the petitioners is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) with one solvent surety 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 with following condition:-

(i) the petitioners shall not indulge in similar type of criminal activities while on bail.

6. Accordingly, these BLAPLs stand disposed of. 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