



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.1409 of 2026

Jyoti Ranjan Naik

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Petitioner

Mr. P.R. Singh, Advocate

-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. This is the bail application U/S.483 of the BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Motanga P.S. Case No.02 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.02 of 2026 pending in the Court of learned JMFC (Cog. Taking), Dhenkanal, for commission of offence punishable U/S.310(2) of BNS, on the main allegation of committing dacoity by taking away iron rod and iron angle from the premises of the Tirumalasetti Venkata Ratnam.

2. Heard, Mr. Priya Ranjan Singh, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. C. Mohanty, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record. On being queried about the criminal antecedent of the petitioner, Mr. Singh volunteers to withhold bail to the petitioner, if he is found to have any criminal antecedent of similar nature.

3. After having considered the rival submissions upon perusal of record, there appears no dispute about lodging of FIR against six to seven unknown culprits, but the petitioner have been detained in custody since 07.01.2026 and in the meantime, there is substantial progress in investigation. Further, it is claimed that the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedent of similar nature. In view of the above and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the



offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and keeping in view the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of an accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial, this Court without expressing any view on merits admits the petitioner to bail, but subject to verification of his criminal antecedent.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and he is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) with two solvent sureties each 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.

In view of the specific submission as advanced for the petitioner, the benefit of this order shall not be extended to the petitioner, if he is found to have any criminal antecedent.

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. 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