



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.2269 of 2026

Babu Maharana

....

Petitioner

Mr. Santosh Kumar Mahanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. Ashok Kumar Apat, AGA

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

Order No.
03.

ORDER
02.06.2026

I.A. No.393 of 2026

1. This matter is taken up through virtual mode.
2. This is an Interlocutory Application filed by petitioner for his release on interim bail for a period of three months to attend the Sudhi ceremony of his mother.
3. It is submitted by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that since the mother of the petitioner died on 23.05.2026 and her Sudhi ceremony is scheduled to be performed on 2nd June, 2026, 3rd June, 2026 and 4th June, 2026, the presence of the petitioner is badly necessary and, as such, he may be released on interim bail to facilitate him to attend the ritual.
4. Learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the State though opposes the prayer for interim bail of the petitioner for a period of three months, submits that the petitioner may be allowed to attend the Sudhi ceremony of his mother in custody.



5. Considering the aforesaid submission of the learned counsel for the parties, though this Court is not inclined to release the petitioner on interim bail for a period of three months as prayed for by the petitioner, considering the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that the presence of the petitioner in the Sudhi ritual of his mother, is necessary, it is directed that the petitioner be taken to his house and the place where the ritual is scheduled to be held in custody to attend the Sudhi ritual of his mother during day time and allowed to stay there for five to six hours (ritual time) and then be brought back to the jail consecutively for the aforesaid three days.

6. The Jail authority and Police authority providing escort shall act on the downloaded copy of this order from web portal of this Court and also at liberty to take such measure as required for safe return of the petitioner to Jail.

7. With the aforesaid order, this Interim Application stands disposed of.

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8. List this BLAPL after the ensuing Summer Vacation before the assigned Bench.

(M.S. Raman)
Vacation Judge

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