



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.3552 of 2025

***Harishchandra
Bentkar***

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Petitioner

Mr. D. Mund, Advocate

-versus-

***State of Odisha
(Vigilance)***

....

Opposite Party

Mr. M.S. Rizvi, Advocate
(for Vigilance)

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

**Order
No.**

**ORDER
03.04.2025**

- 01.** 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. Referring to the Annexure-1 institution of Koraput Vigilance P.S. Case No.12 of 2024, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that since the Petitioner is working as soil conservation overseer there is reasonable apprehension of being taken into custody in connection with the said case.
3. Mr. Rizvi, learned counsel for the Vigilance submits that ex-facie the apprehension is misconceived.
4. Be that as it may, this Court directs the Petitioner to appear before the IO on 08.04.2025 at



about 11:30 Am and co-operate with the investigation and receive further instruction.

5. Put up this matter on 12.05.2025.

6. As an interim measure, it is directed that the Petitioner shall not be taken into custody in connection with aforesaid Koraput Vigilance P.S.12 of 2024, till the next date.

7. It is needless to say that the Petitioners shall cooperate with the Investigating Agency.

8. Liberty is granted to the Vigilance authority to seek variance of the order in the event the Petitioner does not co-operate.

9. Copy of this order be made over to learned counsel for the Vigilance for taking necessary follow up action.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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