



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No. 3116 of 2026

Bairagi Sahu

..... *Petitioner(s)*
Mr. Jyotirmaya Sahoo, Adv.

-Versus-

State of Odisha

..... *Opposite Party(s)*
Ms. Gayatri Patra, ASC

CORAM:

DR. JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI

ORDER

04.05.2026

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FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Case No. and Courts' Name	Sections
33	23.02.2026	Bellagaon	G.R. Case No.131 of 2026 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C., Hinjili	Sections 318(4)/319(2)/112(2)/3(5) of BNS read with Section 66(D) I.T. Act

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
3. The Petitioner being in custody in Bellagaon P.S. Case No. 33 of 2026, corresponding to G.R. Case No.131 of 2026





pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C., Hinjili , registered for the alleged commission of offences under Sections 318(4)/319(2)/112(2)/ 3(5) of BNS read with Section 66(D) I.T. Act, has filed this petition for his release on bail.

4. The brief fact of the case is that, as per CID CB letter No. 30/CID-Cyber M&C, under Cyber Kavach special operation of Odisha Police against cyber fraudsters (from 13.02.2026 to 27.02.2026), IIC, received letter from S.P., Ganjam regarding list of mule accounts used in various banks under the jurisdiction of Bellagaon P.S. The IIC, Bellagaon P.S. requested the concerned banks to provide the transaction details of existing mule accounts. On verification, the accounts show multiple fraudulent transactions and used for receiving, transferring and lending fraudulent funds to assist top-level cyber fraudsters. Verification of acknowledgment numbers received from Cyber P.S., Ganjam revealed that the Bank Account No.359402000000102 stands in the name of Maa Taratarini products was involved in a total of nine numbers of complaints, illicit transactions on different dates on several occasions. Similarly, Aaccount No. 359402000000107 stands in the name of Prem Pradhan and Account No. 359402000000104 stands in the name of Aditya Patra and the nature of transaction in the above accounts is



highly suspicious, ~~lacking~~ and legitimate business justification and strongly indicates possible use for unlawful financial activities including fraud and concealment of proceeds of crime. Hence, this case.

5. The learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case, and there is no credible or incriminating material on record that establishes his involvement in the alleged offences. The Petitioner has been in judicial custody since 24.02.2026. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully prayed that the petitioner be enlarged on bail, as his continued incarceration is unwarranted and disproportionate in the absence of any substantial evidence against him.
6. Learned counsel for the State vehemently opposes the prayer for bail, emphasizing the seriousness of the allegations.
7. Without going into the merit of the case and based on the facts and circumstances of the case, it is directed that the Petitioner be released on bail in the aforesaid case with some stringent terms and conditions as deemed just and proper by the learned court in *seisin* over the matter with further conditions that:-
 - i. The Petitioner shall appear before the local Police Station on every alternate Sunday between 10.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M. till conclusion of the trial.;





- ii. The Petitioner shall appear before the learned court in *seisin* over the matter on each date of posting of the case;
 - iii. The Petitioner shall not indulge himself in any criminal offence while on bail.
 - iv. The Petitioner shall not tamper the evidence of the prosecution evidence in any manner.
8. Violation of any of the above conditions shall entail cancellation of the bail.
9. The BLAPL is, accordingly, disposed of.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi)
Judge

Murmu