



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No.3070 of 2026

Sheik Sharik

....

Petitioner(s)

Mr. Sarbeswar Sahoo, Adv.

-versus-

State of Orissa

....

Opposite Party(s)

Mr. Tej Kumar, ASC

CORAM:

HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI

Order No.

ORDER

01.

04.05.2026

F.I.R. No.	Dated	Police Station	Case No. and Courts' Name	Sections
0155	08.04.2024	Orkel	Orkel P.S. Case No.155/2024 corresponding to Spl. G.R. Case No.82/2024 pending before the Court of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Malkangiri	Sections 20(b)(ii)(C) & 29 of the N.D.P.S Act

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
3. The Petitioner being in custody in connection with Orkel P.S. Case No.155/2024 corresponding to Spl. G.R. Case No.82/2024 pending before the Court of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Malkangiri registered for the alleged commission of offences under



Sections 20(b)(ii)(C) & 29 of the N.D.P.S Act, has filed this application for his release on bail.

4. The brief fact of the case is that on 08.04.2024, during course of patrolling duty near Chitrakonda Chowk area the Police personnel detained the present Petitioner along with two other persons on suspicion who were standing in a suspicious manner at the road side. On search, they recovered 39.200 kg. of contraband Ganja from their conscious possession. Accordingly, all of them were taken into custody after completion of all the formalities and investigation. The Petitioner has been languishing in custody since 08.04.2024.
5. Learned counsel for the Petitioner contends that though nothing has been seized from the conscious possession of the present Petitioner, he has been entangled in this case only on suspicion. He was only a bystander at the relevant point of time. He further contends that though in the earlier occasion the bail application at the instance of the Petitioner vide BLAPL No.6685 of 2024 was allowed, the Petitioner could not be released from jail due to his having similar nature of criminal antecedents. He, accordingly, prays for permitting the Petitioner to be released on bail.
6. Learned counsel for the State vehemently opposes the prayer for bail of the present Petitioner. He further



submits that the Petitioner has multiple criminal antecedents of similar nature. He also contends that such type of offences is not tolerable in a law abiding society. He, accordingly, prays for dismissal of this BLAPL.

7. Considering the submissions made on behalf of both the parties, this Court without going into the merits of the case, directs the court in *seisin* over the matter to release the present Petitioner on bail in the aforesaid case on some stringent terms and conditions with further conditions that:

- i. the Petitioner shall furnish bail bond of Rs.40,000/- (Rupees forty thousand only) with two local solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in *seisin* over the matter.
- ii. the Petitioner shall appear before the concerned local Police Station on every alternate Sunday between 10.00A.M. to 12.00P.M. till conclusion of the trial;
- iii. the Petitioner shall appear before the learned Court in *seisin* over the matter on each date of posting of the case;
- iv. the Petitioner shall not indulge himself in any criminal activities in future;
- v. the Petitioner shall not tamper the evidence of the prosecution witnesses in any manner;

8. Violation of any of the above conditions shall entail cancellation of the bail.



9. This BLAPL is, accordingly, disposed of.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi)
Judge

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