



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.3721 of 2026

Bhaskar @ Mahadeb Patra ... ***Petitioner***

Mr. B.R. Dalai, Advocate

-versus-

State of Orissa ... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. T.K. Acharya, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL):29.06.2026

Order No.

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1. This is a bail application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Rengali PS Case No.258 of 2025 corresponding to CT (Sessions) Case No.35 of 2026 pending in the file of learned Sessions Judge, Jharsuguda for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.103(1)/332(a)/311/317(3) of the BNS, on the main allegation of committing murder of one Lopamudra Sahoo by entering into her house for a purpose of committing robbery and in the process, taking away gold and cash of the deceased.

2. In the course of hearing, Mr. Biswaranjan Dalai, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that although the case is based on circumstantial evidence, but there is no clear and cogent circumstance appearing against the Petitioner and the so called circumstance of recovery of some gold ornaments is not conclusive in nature since the gold ornaments have not been put to TI parade for identification and thereby, the Petitioner being innocent, may kindly be granted bail.

2.1. On the other hand, Mr. T.K. Acharya, learned Addl. PP, however, strongly opposes the bail application of



the Petitioner by mainly relying upon four circumstances, such as (i) finger print of the Petitioner extracted from the Almirah kept in the house of the deceased, (ii) his involvement in another Rengali PS case No. 162 of 2022 in which the finger print was taken and such finger print matches with the finger print taken in the present case; (iii) recovery of gold ornaments pursuant to disclosure statement of the petitioner and the location of the mobile number of the Petitioner being found at the place of occurrence at the relevant time and (iv) lastly, seizure of case from the possession of the Petitioner.

3. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into account the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioners vis-a-vis the accusations sought to be brought against them and regard being had to the materials placed on record together with the circumstances of allegedly finding finger prints of the Petitioner from the storewell kept in the house of the deceased and recovery of gold ornaments pursuant to the alleged disclosure statement of the Petitioner and seizure of cash, and keeping in view the trial yet to commence, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioners.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioners stands rejected. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. A soft copy of this order be immediately transmitted to the learned Court in seisin over the matter.

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(G. Satapathy)
Judge