



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No.3886 of 2026

Litu Pradhan

....

Petitioner

Mr. A. Sahoo, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. M. R. Mohanty, AGA

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
06.05.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. The Petitioner is an accused in connection with T.R. Case No.58/138 of 2025 (Spl. GR Case No.120 of 2025) pending on the file of learned 3rd Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Puri arising out of **Chandanpur P.S. Case No.191 of 2025** for commission of offence alleged under Sections 21(b)/29 of the NDPS Act.
3. Learned counsel, on instruction, submits that except the present BLAPL, no other bail application of the Petitioner relating to the aforementioned P.S. case is pending in any other Court.
4. Being aggrieved by the rejection of his application for bail U/s.483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik



Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) by the learned 3rd Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Puri by order dated 20.03.2026 in the aforementioned cases, the present BLAPL has been filed.

5. The allegation against the present Petitioner is that he along with the co-accused was involved in transportation of contraband (brown sugar) to the tune of 157.38 grams.

6. It is submitted by the learned counsel with vehemence that so far as the total quantity of brown sugar is concerned the conscious possession cannot be mechanically attributed to the Petitioner inasmuch as it is submitted that 57.19 grams was seized from the present Petitioner and reference in this regard is made to the rejection order passed by the learned Special Judge.

In the light of the same, the attention of this Court is also drawn in this regard to the seizure effected from one Sachin Kumar Nayak wherein it is mentioned that "the I.O. also searched the accused namely Litu Pradhan and recovered and seized one polythene packet containing 57.19 grams"

7. It is further stated that the Petitioner is in custody since 30.08.2025 and he is stated to be the first offender. Hence, he may be released on bail.

8. Such submission is opposed by the learned counsel for the State.



9. Taking into account that, in the meanwhile, charge has been framed and the seizure as noted, this Court directs the Petitioner to be released on bail on such terms to be fixed by the learned Court in seisin so as to ensure his presence during the trial subject to verification of criminal antecedent of Petitioner of similar nature.

If it comes to the fore that the Petitioner has any such criminal antecedent this order shall not be given effect to.

10. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of.

11. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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