IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

I.A. No. 574 of 2021
(Arising out of BLAPL No.3374 of 2021)

Umesh Kumar Khilo @ Lalu .... **Petitioner**

Mr.B.K.Ragada, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... **Opposite Party**

Sk Zaffrulla, Additional Standing Counsel,

CORAM:
JUSTICE S. K. PANIGRAHI

ORDER
18.06.2021

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up by video conferencing mode.

2. This Interim application has been filed by the petitioner for interim bail.

3. The petitioner is an accused in T.R. Case No.19 of 2021 arising out of Sunabeda P.S. Case No.20 of 2021 pending in the Court of the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Koraput for commission of offence under Section 20(b)(ii)(C) of N.D.P.S.Act.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the brother of the petitioner has expired on 03.06.2021 and the presence of the petitioner is highly essential for Sudhi ceremony of his deceased

brother. Hence, interim bail has been prayed for in order to enable him to perform the obsequies of his brother. Some documents have been filed as a proof about the factum of the death of the father of the petitioner. The said document is accepted without any objection from the counsel for the State.

5. Considering the submissions and the circumstances, it is directed that the petitioner be released on interim bail for a period of one month from the date of his release on interim bail on some stringent terms and conditions as deemed just and proper by the learned court in seisin over the matter and shall surrender before the said court on completion of one month with further condition that the petitioner shall not misutilize his liberty in any manner whatsoever.

6. Violation of the aforesaid condition, shall entail cancellation of the interim bail granted to the petitioner.

7. The I.A. is accordingly disposed of.

8. As the restrictions due to the COVID-19 situation are continuing, learned counsel for the petitioner may utilize a soft copy of this order available in the High Court's website or print out thereof at par with certified copy in the manner prescribed, vide Court's Notice No.4587, dated 25th March 2020.

(S. K. Panigrahi)
Judge

LNB