



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.5095 of 2026

Rakshi Meher

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Petitioner

Mr. S.K. Jena, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha (Vigilance)

...

Opposite Party

Mr. S.K. Das, Addl. PP(Vig)

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)09.07.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is an application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Sambalpur Vigilance P.S. Case No.05 of 2026 corresponding to V.G.R Case No.02 of 2026 pending in the file of learned Special Judge (Vigilance), Bargarh, for commission of offences punishable U/Ss. 7 of PC Act, on the main allegation of demanding and accepting illegal gratification of Rs.30,000/- for processing loan file for grant of subsidy .
3. Heard Mr. Sarat Kumar Jena, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Sanjay Kumar Das, learned Addl. PP for vigilance in the matter and perused the record.
4. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the pre-trial detention of the petitioner in custody since 06.05.2026 with submission of charge-sheet in the meantime and there being no requirement of



custodial interrogation and keeping in view the status of the petitioner as government servant and the petitioner being entitled to the benefit of first proviso appended to Sec. 480 of BNSS as a lady and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of the accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty, this Court without expressing any view on merits, admits the petitioner to bail.

5. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and the petitioner is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it with following condition:-

*(i) the petitioner shall cooperate the trial. **In case the Petitioner fails without sufficient cause to appear in the Court in accordance with the terms of the bail, the learned trial Court may proceed against the Petitioner for offence U/S.269 of BNS,2023 in accordance with law.***

6. Accordingly, the BLAPL stand disposed of.

7. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge