



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.6540 of 2026

Rakesh Prasad ***Petitioner***
Represented by Adv. –
Mr. Biswanath Behera

-versus-

State of Odisha ***Opposite Party***
Represented by Adv. –
Mr. Aurobinda Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER
19.06.2026

Order No.

01. 1. This matter is taken up through virtual mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned counsel for the State-Opposite Party. Perused the Anticipatory Bail Application as well as the F.I.R.
3. The present application has been filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., 2023 by the Petitioner seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Bamibari P.S. Case No.36 of 2026, corresponding to G.R. Case No.181 of 2026, pending in the court of the learned J.M.F.C., Barbil, registered for alleged commission of offences punishable under Sections 61(2)/303(2) of the B.N.S., 2023 read with Section 21 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.
4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner, at the outset, submitted that



the Petitioner does not want to press this bail application and seeks liberty to surrender before the court below and move an application for bail.

5. Taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the allegation and on the request of the learned counsel for the Petitioner, the Petitioner is permitted to surrender before the learned J.M.F.C., Barbil in the aforesaid case in the first hour within four weeks hence and move for bail. On such event, the learned Magistrate shall consider his application for bail in the first hour strictly on the basis of the materials on record. In case of rejection of the bail application, the Petitioner may move for bail before the higher forum in the second hour. On such event, the higher forum shall consider and dispose of the bail application of the Petitioner on the same day strictly on the basis of the materials on record by maintaining the principles of parity, if applicable.

6. The case diary be made available on the date of surrender on an application being filed by the Petitioner prior to his date of surrender along with a copy of today's order. Records be transmitted to the higher forum at the cost of the Petitioner, if applied for.

7. The ABLAPL is, accordingly, disposed of.

Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per Rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Vacation Judge

Debasis