



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No. 6578 of 2026

Rakesh Das

.... ***Petitioner***

Mr. J.K. Majhi, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

.... ***Opposite Party***

Mrs. S. Mohanty, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH
ORDER
17.06.2026

Order No.

- 01.** 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with 2(a) CC No.187 of 2026 pending on the file of learned JMFC(R), Balasore, arising out of P.R. No. 57 of 2026-27, for commission of offences punishable under Section 52(a) of Odisha Excise Act.
3. The allegation against the Petitioner is that he was in unauthorized possession of ID liquor to the extent of 400 liters.
4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail.
5. Taking into account the nature of allegations, it is directed that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on



such terms as deemed just and proper subject to verification of criminal antecedent of similar nature.

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

7. It is needless to state that the Petitioner shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

8. The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Vacation Judge

Ayesha