



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.6760 of 2026

Makardhwaj Bhoi

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Biswajit Ranjan
Tripathy

-versus-

State of Odisha

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Opposite Party

Represented by Adv. -
Smt. S.Nayak, A.S.C.

CORAM:

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA**

ORDER

19.06.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State. Perused the Anticipatory Bail Application as well as the F.I.R.
3. This is an application under Section 482 of the B.N.S.S., 2023 filed by the Petitioner for anticipatory bail, involving offence punishable under Sections 379/ 411/ 120-B of I.P.C., r/w section 51 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 in C.T No.125 of 2023 in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Boudh arising out of Special Task Force P.S. Case No.06, dated 23.03.2023.
4. It is stated by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that the Petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He further contended that the principal accused who were involved in



the crime were apprehended by the STF, CID and on the basis of their confessional statement the Petitioner has been implicated in the present case. He further submitted that the arrested accused persons named the present Petitioner as the recipient of the wild animal that was killed by the principal accused. He further submitted that neither the Petitioner was present at the spot nor is he connected with the crime in any way. He further contended that the Petitioner does not have any similar criminal antecedent. He further contended that the Petitioner belongs to the locality, therefore there is no chance of his absconding.

5. Learned counsel for the State objected to the release of the Petitioner on pre-arrest bail on the ground of gravity and seriousness of the allegation. She further submitted that the Petitioner is the main culprit behind the present crime. It was also contended that the investigation is still on.

6. At this stage, learned counsel for the Petitioner 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.

7. Considering such submissions, the Petitioner is permitted to surrender before the learned court in seisin over the matter within a period of three weeks from today and move an application for bail. In such eventuality, learned court in seisin over the matter shall release the Petitioner on bail subject to such terms and conditions as the learned Magistrate may deem just and proper. Violation of any of the terms and conditions shall entail cancellation of the bail.



8. It is further directed that the bail granted to the Petitioner shall be subject to the verification of his criminal antecedent. In the event, the Petitioner is having any criminal antecedent, then this order shall stand automatically revoked.

9. The ABLAPL is disposed of accordingly.

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

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Vacation Judge

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