



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 7201 of 2026

CNR No. ODHCO10448552026

***Rajendra Narayan
Pradhan***

....

Petitioner

Mr. B. Karna, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.K. Lenka, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

05.08.2026

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- 03.** 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.923 of 2025 pending on the file of learned S.D.J.M., Phulbani, arising out of Phulbani Town P.S. Case No.295 of 2025 for commission of offences punishable under Section 318(4) of BNS read with Section 138 of N.I. Act.
3. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail.
4. Taking into account the nature of allegation and this being prima facie an economic offence against the community, this Court is not inclined to grant exceptional remedy of pre-arrest bail. However,



in the event the Petitioner surrenders before the learned Court in seisin in the aforesaid case and moves an application for his release on bail, the same shall be considered on its own merit.

5. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

Santoshi