



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**ABLAPL No.7494 of 2026**

**Sunil Kumar Sahu & another** .... **Petitioners**  
Mr. J. Sahoo, Advocate

**-Versus-**

**State of Odisha** .... **Opposite Party**  
Mr. S. Panda, ASC

**CORAM:**  
**MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK**

**ORDER**  
**09.07.2026**

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**No.**

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1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and State.
2. Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS by the petitioners seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Aska P.S. Case No.249 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.831 of 2026 pending in the file of learned J.M.F.C., Aska on the grounds stated.
3. It is informed to the Court by Mr. Sahoo, learned counsel for the petitioners that the present accused persons are the owner and driver of the vehicle in question involved in illicit transportation of sand. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. The value of the sand illegally transported in the alleged vehicle is mentioned in the FIR. It is informed to the Court that the petitioners do not have any other antecedents. Recorded the objection of the State. Being the first-time offenders and considering the cost of the sand which was being transported in vehicles, this Court, though not in favour of entertaining their



bail plea, is inclined to direct both to surrender before the learned court below for being released with suitable conditions imposed.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. It is further directed that in the event, the petitioners surrender before the learned J.M.F.C., Aska in connection with G.R. Case No.831 of 2026 corresponding to Aska P.S. Case No.249 of 2026 within a fortnight from today, they shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.15,000/-(rupees fifteen thousand) each with one solvent surety for the like amount each with such other conditions imposed subject to absence of any other similar antecedent.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

**(R.K. Pattanaik)**  
**Judge**