



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 8989 of 2025

Suhasini Rout ***Petitioner***

Mr. P.C. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

ABLAPL No. 9027 of 2025

Saroj Paik @ Saroj Paikaray ***Petitioner***

Mr. A.C. Behera, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha (EOW) ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

ABLAPL No. 9030 of 2025

Gobinda Nag ***Petitioner***

Mr. A.C. Behera, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha (EOW) ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC



ABLAPL No. 9031 of 2025

Sanjukta Nag

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Petitioner

Mr. A.C. Behera, Advocate

-versus-

***State of Odisha
(EOW)***

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Opposite Party

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

ABLAPL No. 9042 of 2025

Ananda Nag

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Petitioner

Mr. A.C. Behera, Advocate

-versus-

***State of Odisha
(EOW)***

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Opposite Party

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

11.08.2025

Order No.

- 01.** 1. Since all the ABLAPLs relate to the same FIR, on the consent of the parties, they are taken up together and disposed of by this common order.
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and learned counsel for the State.



3. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.09 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned Presiding Officer, Special Court (O.P.I.D. Act), Cuttack, arising out of C.I.D., Crime Branch Cuttack P.S. Case No.05 of 2025 for commission of offences punishable under Section 3(5)/316(2)/318(4)/351(3)/61(2) of BNS, 2023 read with Section 3/4/5/6 Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978.

4. The allegation against the Petitioners is that by alluring the gullible who participated in online games, illegal collections have been effected which are prima facie quantified at Rs.1,56,00,000/- (One Crore Fifty Six Lakhs).

5. On instruction it is stated that in the investigation it has been revealed that there is money trail to all the accounts except the account of the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.8989 of 2025.

6. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the State on instruction that so far as the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.8989 of 2025 is concerned, she is the wife of one Bikram Jethi, who is stated to have been taken into custody.

7. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail, inter alia, on the ground that it is an economic offence.



8. Considering the nature of allegations and keeping in view its ramifications, this Court is not inclined to entertain the bail application for pre-arrest bail in respect of Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.9027, 9030, 9031 and 9042 of 2025.

9. Accordingly, the ABLAPLs in respect of the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.9027, 9030, 9031 and 9042 of 2025 stand rejected.

10. Considering the nature of allegations and that there is no money trail to the account of the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.8989 of 2025, this Court directs that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner (Subhasini Rout) in ABLAPL No.8989 of 2025 shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper.

11. It is needless to state that the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.8989 of 2025 shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

12. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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