



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.8925 of 2024

Kewal Singh

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Petitioner

Mr. S.R. Das, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

...

Opposite Party

Mr. M.R. Patra, Addl. PP

Mr. B.B. Routray, Advocate (Informant)

CORAM:
JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)
25.02.2026

Order No.
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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is a bail application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Jhirpani PS Case No.33 of 2024 corresponding to ST Case No.132 of 2024 (GR Case No.272 of 2024) pending in the file of learned OSJS 1st Additional Sessions Judge, Rourkela, being charge-sheeted for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.302/114 of IPC, on the main allegation of committing murder of the deceased Tutu @ Nihar Ranjan Acharya by stabbing him to death, along with co-accused persons.
3. Heard, Mr. Soumya Ranjan Das, learned counsel, who enters appearance for the petitioner in the Court today by filing Vakalatnama, which is taken on record, Mr. Bharat Bhusan Routray, learned counsel



for the informant and Mr. M.R. Patra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record.

4. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the allegation sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the materials placed on record together with the statement of eye witnesses and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands rejected. Looking at the status of this case where it is found that no witness has yet been examined, but the case has already suffered five adjournments, the learned Presiding Officer of the trial Court is, hereby, requested to bestow personal attention for examination of the witnesses, otherwise, general public will lose faith in the institution.

6. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. A copy of this order be immediately transmitted to the learned Court in seisin over the matter for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge