



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.11446 of 2025

**Aju Malik @ Nisikanta Malik & Petitioners
another**

Mr. J. Rout, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha & another Opposite Parties

Mr. S. N. Das, ASC

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

**ORDER
25.03.2026**

**Order No.
06.**

1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed seeking pre-arrest bail of the petitioners in connection with C.T. Case No.1757 of 2025 pending in the file of learned J.M.F.C., Chandikhol arising out of Jenapur P.S. Case No.0311 of 2025 on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the F.I.R. as at Annexure-1. Recorded the submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties. Last time by this Court's order dated 25th February, 2026, State was directed to take instructions regarding the whereabouts of the victim, but it has not been received, as informed. The submission of the learned counsel for the petitioners is that the present accused persons have assisted the principal accused during the alleged incident and ready and willing to extend all kinds of co-operation during investigation, hence, they should be released on bail. Recorded the response of learned counsel



for the State. Gone through the F.I.R. as at Annexure-1 and it reveals that unknown persons arrived in two bikes and kidnapped the victim, a minor by then in the year 2025. It is informed to the Court that the victim is still untraced. Considering the above facts and submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties, this Court is not inclined to consider grant of pre-arrest bail, but is of the view that the petitioners should be directed to surrender and to go on bail subject to following conditions with an enquiry held by the learned court below with respect to the wellbeing of the victim.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. In the event, the petitioners surrender before the court of learned J.M.F.C., Chandikhol within a fortnight from today, it is directed that they shall be released on bail in connection with C.T. Case No.1757 of 2025 corresponding to Jenapur P.S. Case No.0311 of 2025 on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty-five thousand) each with one solvent surety for the like amount each with such other conditions imposed as deemed just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case and subject to an enquiry to ascertain the whereabouts of the victim with the assistance of local PS.

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

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge