



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.12185 of 2025

Sujata Behera

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Petitioner

Mr. P.R. Chhatoi, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S. Panda, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

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1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

2. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with G.R. Case No.618 of 2025 pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C., Tirtol, arising out of Tirtol P.S. Case No.513 of 2025 for commission of offences punishable under Section 85, 108, 3(5) of BNS, 2023 and under Section 4 of DP Act.

3. It is submitted by the learned counsel that since the Petitioner is a widow and is staying in her parental house and the principal accused-husband is her brother-in-law has been arrayed as an accused and the allegations as levelled have to be viewed in the same light.



4. Learned counsel for the State refutes such submission referring to the materials on record and submits that there are consistent statements to indicate that the present Petitioner was a partner in crime.

5. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the principal accused has been taken into custody.

6. Taking into account the nature of allegations qua the present Petitioner, who is a widow lady, this Court directs that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper keeping in view the dictum of the Apex Court in the case of ***Satendra Kumar Antil Vrs. Central Bureau of Investigation; 2023 SCC OnLine SC 452.***

7. It is needless to state that the Petitioner shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

8. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge