



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLA No.1099 of 2023

Pratap Prusty @ Dhalia* *Appellant

*Mr. Chitta Ranjan Sahu,
Advocate
-versus-*

State of Odisha* *Respondent

*Mr. Sarat Kumar Pradhan,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

02.05.2025

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07. This matter is taken up through Hybrid arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

Perused the prisoner's petition at Flag 'D' in which prayer has been made by the appellant for release him on bail on the ground of ailment of his mother, who needs immediate operation.

On the last date i.e. 03.04.2025, learned counsel for the State was asked to obtain instruction on the prisoner's petition at Flag 'D' and to produce the custody certificate so also instruction regarding criminal antecedents, if any, against the appellant.

Today, learned counsel for the State has produced the written instruction dated 01.05.2025 received from the Inspector in-charge of Bolani police station which indicates that no adverse has been reported against the



appellant. Learned counsel also produced the custody certificate of the appellant received from the Superintendent, District Jail, Keonjhar which indicates that the appellant is in judicial custody for more than four years. The instruction and custody certificate are taken on record.

In view of the prayer made by the appellant and the instruction received from the learned counsel for the State and since there is no chance of early hearing of the appeal in the near future, I am inclined to release the appellant on interim bail for a period of one month from the date of release. The appellant shall immediately surrender before the learned Court below on expiry of the said one month period.

For the above period, let the appellant be released on interim bail in connection with Special Case No.378/77 of 2022-2020 of the Court of learned Addl. Sessions Judge -cum- Special Judge under POCSO Act, Keonjhar on furnishing bail bond of Rs.20,000/- (rupees twenty thousand) with one local solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin over the matter including the conditions that the petitioner shall not indulge in any criminal activities.

Violation of the condition shall entail cancellation of bail.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

(P.T.O.)



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08. List this matter in the week commencing 23.06.2025.

Learned counsel for the appellant shall file the surrender certificate of the appellant by the next date.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

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