



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.11808 of 2025

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Petitioner

Mr. A.K. Jena, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

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Opposite Party

Mr. T.K. Acharya, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)

23.02.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is an application U/S.483 of the BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Podia P.S. Case No. 101 of 2025 corresponding to G.R. (Special) Case No. 56 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Malkangiri, for commission of offence punishable U/Ss. 64(2)(m)/65(1) of BNS r/w. Sec.6 of POCSO Act, on the main allegation of committing rape and aggravated penetrative sexual assault upon the victim.
3. Heard, Mr. Asit Kumar Jena, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. T.K. Acharya, learned Addl. PP 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 accusations sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the materials placed on record



together with the statement of the victim and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the presumption as available against the petitioner U/S. 29 of the POCSO Act, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

Hence the bail application of the petitioner stands rejected. The petitioner is, however, at liberty to renew his prayer for bail before the learned trial Court after examination of the victim.

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

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

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