



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**ABLAPL No.13166 of 2025**

***Rajendra Nayak @  
Jhumupu***

....

***Petitioner***

Mr. K. Mohanty, Advocate

*-versus-*

***State of Odisha***

....

***Opposite Party***

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

**CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH**

**ORDER**

**24.11.2025**

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- 01.** 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.164 of 2017 pending on the file of learned S.D.J.M., Rayagada, arising out of Chandili P.S. Case No.49 of 2017 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 34/386/507 of the IPC.
3. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner with vehemence that though the charge sheet in the case at hand has been submitted, it is a case of mistaken identity and the Petitioner had no knowledge of being implicated in the commission of the alleged offence.



4. Taking into account the nature of allegations, it is directed that the Petitioner shall appear before the I.O., on 29.11.2025 at 11.30 A.M. to receive further instruction.

5. List this matter on 17.12.2025. Learned counsel for the State is called upon to obtain instructions in the meanwhile.

6. Learned counsel for the State is called upon to apprise this Court regarding the progress of the investigation and the basis for the Petitioner's implication in the charge sheet and the Registry shall verify and place on record as to whether the Petitioner had approached this Court in the case at hand for seeking any relief whatsoever.

7. As an interim measure, it is directed that the Petitioner shall not be taken into custody in connection with the aforesaid case, till the next date.

8. It is needless to say that the Petitioner shall cooperate with the Investigating Agency.

**(V. NARASINGH)**  
**Judge**