



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.13679 of 2025

Bishal Pattanaik

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Petitioner

Mr. M.R. Khatua, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.K.Lenka, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

09.12.2025

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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.1095 of 2024 (C.T (S) Case No.476 of 2025) pending in the Court of learned Addl District Judge, Angul, arising out of Angul Sadar P.S. Case No.686 of 2024 for commission of offence under Sections 115(2)/140(1)/3(5) of BNS.

3. It is submitted by the learned counsel that the Petitioner is not a named accused and on the basis of the co-accused statement, he has been falsely implicated in the case at hand. Hence, he may be protected by pre-arrest bail.

4. It is further submitted that in the meanwhile charge sheet has already been filed.



5. Learned counsel for the State opposes such prayer referring to the statement of the Complainant who is the father-in-law of the principal accused as well as the co-accused.

6. It is trite that while considering the bail application the statement of the co-accused can be taken note of. Reference in this regard is made to the decision of the Apex Court in the case of **Kalyan Chandra Sarkar vrs. Rajesh Ranjan, (2004) 7 SCC 528.**

7. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the Petitioner has the following criminal antecedents;

"Angul Sadar P.S. Case No.370 of 2024 under Sections 341/324/506/34 IPC.
Angul P.S. Case No.691 of 2024 under Sections 304(2)/3(5) of BNS.
Banarpal P.S. Case No.130 of 2025 under Section 310(2) of BNS."

8. Taking into account the nature of allegations and the role ascribed to the Petitioner and the antecedents of the Petitioner, this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail. However, in the event the Petitioner surrenders before the learned Court in seisin in the aforesaid case and moves an application for his release on bail, the same shall be considered on its own merit.

9. The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge