



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.11801 of 2024

Umashankar @ Ajita Bag ... ***Petitioner***

Mr. J. Panda, Advocate

-versus-

State of Orissa ... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

CORAM:
JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)
10.03.2025

Order No.
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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is a bail application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Kegaon PS Case No.203 of 2024 corresponding to CT Case No.75 of 2024 pending in the file of learned Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-Special Court under POCSO Act, Bhawanipatna, for commission of offences punishable under Sections 64(2)(m)/3(5) of BNS r/w Section 6 of POCSO Act, on the allegation of committing rape and aggravated penetrative sexual assault upon the victim.
3. Heard, Mr. Jnyanananda Panda, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the present matter and perused the record. Despite availing three opportunities to inform the victim, the State Counsel has not yet informed and, thereby, compelled this Court to grant interim bail to the petitioner pending disposal of the



bail application since the victim is required to be informed before hearing of the bail application.

4. Accordingly, this Court by keeping the regular bail application pending admits the petitioner to interim bail till the victim is informed in the matter, whereafter the regular bail application of the petitioner would be taken up.

Hence, the petitioner be released on interim bail on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by the learned Court in seisin over the matter in addition to one condition that the petitioner will surrender to custody as and when required by the Court.

5. List this matter on 24.04.2025 by which date the victim be informed otherwise the petitioner has to continue on interim bail for the fault of the prosecution.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

Subhasmita

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