



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.12135 of 2025

Ramnarayan Bal

... ***Petitioner***

Mr. D. Nair, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. P. Satpathy, Addl. PP

Mr. A. Pradhan, Advocate (informant)

CORAM:

JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

Order No.
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ORDER(ORAL)22.01.2026

I.A. No. 32 of 2026

1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is the 2nd successive application for grant of interim bail to the petitioner for attending his pregnant wife.
3. In the course of hearing, Mr. Dheeraj Nair, learned counsel appearing virtually for the petitioner submits that the earlier pregnancy of the wife of the petitioner was having some kind of problem at the time of delivery and thereby, the petitioner expects that his wife might face some problem at the time of delivery this time. Further, Mr. Nair submits that since the earlier delivery of the child of the wife of the petitioner was by way of a C-Section, the petitioner expects that the present delivery would be taking place by way of the same procedure and considering the amount of risk involved in C-Section, it would be better that the petitioner may be granted interim bail to remain present at the time of delivery of his wife. On the aforesaid submission, Mr Nair prays to grant interim bail to the petitioner.
- 3.1. In opposing such prayer, Mr. Abhinandan Pradhan, learned counsel for the informant submits that there is in



fact no real issue in the delivery of the wife of the petitioner, but the petitioner expects some kind of problem in the delivery and mere suspicion or expectation of some kind of problem should not be taken into consideration to admit the petitioner on interim bail, when there is serious allegation against the petitioner for cheating the general people. Accordingly, Mr. Pradhan, prays to reject the bail application of the petitioner. Mr. P. Satpathy, learned Addl. PP submits that mere apprehension of some kind of problem at the time of delivery of the wife of the petitioner should not be a ground to grant interim bail and therefore, the application for interim bail by the petitioner merits no consideration.

4. After having considered the rival submissions and on going through the averments taken in the IA together with the documents annexed thereto, this Court hardly finds any emergency in the delivery of the wife of the petitioner, although it is stated by the petitioner in his application about the health issue involved in the first delivery, but the present issue being related to some kind of apprehension of the petitioner, which is not supported by any medical documents, this Court does not find any good ground to grant interim bail to the petitioner.

Hence, the prayer for interim bail of the petitioner stands rejected. Accordingly, the IA stands disposed of.

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5. On the prayer as advanced for the petitioner, list this matter in the week commencing from 16th February, 2026.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge