



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No.12142 of 2025

Ishudash Chhatra

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Petitioner

Mr. S.N. Mishra-4, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

...

Opposite Party

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

**CORAM:
JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY**

**ORDER(ORAL)
17.12.2025**

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 CT Case No. 15 of 2025(NDPS) arising out of M. Rampur PS Case No. 83 of 2025 pending in the file of learned Sessions Judge, Bhawanipatna for commission of offences punishable U/S.20(b)(ii)(C) of the NDPS Act, on the main allegation of transporting 40 Kgs of Contraband Ganja in a Maruti Suzuki Dezire VXi Car bearing Registration No. CG-04-NZ-8449.
3. Heard, Mr. Satya Narayan Mishra-4, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record. On being queried about the criminal antecedent of the petitioner, Mr. Mishra-4 volunteers to withhold bail to the petitioner, if he is



found to have any criminal antecedent of similar nature for commission of offence under NDPS Act.

4. Admittedly, the Petitioner has been detained in custody since 23.04.2025, but in the meantime, charge sheet has already been submitted and there are 26 charge sheeted witnesses in this case and, therefore, the trial would take some considerable time. Further, it is claimed that the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedent of similar nature. In the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case, especially when there is no immediate prospect of trial, the petitioner would be considered to have satisfied the conditions of Sec.37 of NDPS Act, if he is not having any criminal antecedent of similar nature for commission of offence under NDPS Act.

5. For the reasons stated hereinabove and taking into account other circumstances on record in entirety, this Court without expressing any view on merits admits the Petitioner to bail, but subject to verification of his criminal antecedent.

6. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and he is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh) with two solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it.

In view of the specific submission as advanced for the petitioner, the benefit of this order



shall not be extended to the concerned petitioner, if he is found to have any criminal antecedent of similar nature for commission of offences under NDPS Act.

7. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

Priyajit