



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No. 12307 of 2025

Jatia @ Ganguli Behera & Anr.

..... *Petitioner(s)*

Mr. Om Prakash Saran, Adv.

-Versus-

State of Odisha

..... *Opposite Party(s)*

Ms. Sarita Moharana, ASC

CORAM:

DR. JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI

ORDER

17.12.2025

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FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Case No. and Courts' Name	Sections
335	12.09.2025	Dhenkanal Motanga	G.R. Case No.427 of 2025 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C. (Cog. Taking), Dhenkanal	Sections 310(2)/317(3)/296 of BNS

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.



1. The Petitioners being in custody in Dhenkanal Motanga P.S. Case No. 335 of 2025 corresponding to G.R. Case No.427 of 2025 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C. (Cog. Taking), Dhenkanal, registered for the alleged commission of offences under Sections 310(2)/317(3)/296 of BNS, have filed this petition for their release on bail.
2. The brief fact of the case is that on 12.09.2025 the informant named Dharanidhar Sahoo, in-charge of Screening Plant of Samal Metallic lodged an FIR before the IIC, Motonga P.S. stating that some articles have been stolen from the Screening Plant. On query from the Security guards, he came to know that more than five culprits came inside the plant wearing masks and threatened the Security Guards on the point of bhujali and stolen away cable wires of cost about two lakhs from the said plant and cash of Rs.1200/- from the Security guard. However, the Security guards recognized two culprits out of the aforesaid persons. On the basis of said report, Motonga P.S. Case No.335 of 2025 was registered and investigation was taken up. Hence, this case.
3. Learned counsel for the Petitioners submits that the Petitioners are no way connected with the offences as alleged by the prosecution in any manner. He further submits that the Petitioners' names do not found place in the F.I.R. The Petitioners are in custody since 6.11.2025. Hence, he submits that the Petitioners may be enlarged on bail.



4. Learned counsel for the State vehemently opposes the prayer for bail, emphasizing the seriousness of the allegations.
5. Without going into the merit of the case and based on the facts and circumstances of the case, it is directed that the Petitioners be released on bail in the aforesaid case with some stringent terms and conditions as deemed just and proper by the learned court in *seisin* over the matter with further conditions that:-

- i. The Petitioners shall appear before the local Police Station on every Monday between 10 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.;
- ii. The Petitioners shall not indulge themselves in any criminal offence while on bail;
- iii. The Petitioners shall not tamper with the evidence or intimidate the prosecution witnesses in any manner;

Violation of any of the above conditions shall lead to cancellation of the bail.

6. The BLAPL is, accordingly, disposed of.

(*Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi*)
Judge