



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 13705 of 2025

Safiul Ali Khan @ Sk. Safiul **Petitioner**
Mr. R. Singh, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha **Opposite Party**
Mr. S. N. Das, ASC
Mr. B. K. Nayak, Advocate for the informant

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

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23.02.2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed seeking pre-arrest bail of the petitioner in connection with Special Case No.265 of 2025 pending in the file of learned Special Court (POCSO), Balasore arising out of Balasore Sadar P.S. Case No.339 of 2025 on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. A copy of the Marriage Certificate is at Annexure-2, referring to which, it is informed to the Court that the parties have married each other. An affidavit is also filed by the informant as at Flag-B. In the affidavit, it is stated that the victim after attaining majority got married to the petitioner on 17th November, 2025. In view of the above, even though, a case under Section 6 of the POCSO Act is involved, this Court, in view of the aforesaid



development, is inclined to direct the petitioner to surrender before the learned Special Court (POCSO), Balasore for being released on bail with suitable condition instead of granting pre-arrest bail as is demanded by him.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. In the event, the petitioner surrenders before the court of learned Special Court (POCSO), Balasore, it is directed that he shall be released on bail in connection with Special Case No.265 of 2025 corresponding to Balasore Sadar P.S. Case No.339 of 2025 on furnishing a bail bond of Rs.20,000/-(rupees twenty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount with such other conditions imposed as deemed proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge