



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.12505 of 2025

Raka @ Rakesh Naik ... ***Petitioner***
Mr. B.P. Nanda, Advocate
-versus-
State of Odisha ... ***Opposite Party***
Mr. T.K. Acharya, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY
ORDER(ORAL): 16.04.2026

Order No.
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1. This is a bail application U/S.483 of the BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Colliery PS Case No. 578 of 2025 corresponding to CT(SPL.)(NDPS) Case No. 17 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Talcher for commission of offences punishable U/S.21(b) of the NDPS Act, on the main allegation of possessing 8.15 Grams of Brown Sugar.
2. Heard, Mr. Biraja Prasad Nanda, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. T.K. Acharya, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record.
3. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the pre trial detention of the petitioner in custody since 15.09.2025 with framing of charge in the meantime and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the well recognized principle "*bail is the rule, but jail is the exception*" and there being no criminal antecedent of similar nature reported against the Petitioner, this Court



without expressing any view on merit admits the petitioner to bail.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and he is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) with one solvent surety 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.

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

Priyajit