



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No. 12572 of 2025

Sankarsana Malik

...

Petitioner

Mr. S.C. Pradhan, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

...

Opposite Party

Mr. M.R. Patra, Addl. PP

**CORAM:
JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY**

**ORDER(ORAL)
18.12.2025**

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. This is an application U/S. 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (in short, "BNSS") by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with ST Case No. 06 of 2023 arising out of Kendrapara Sadar PS Case No. 351 of 2022 pending in the Court of learned Sessions Judge, Kendapara for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.498-A/302 of IPC, on the main allegation of committing uxoricide by subjecting her to torture and cruelty.
3. Heard, Mr. Suresh Chandra Pradhan, learned counsel for the petitioner appearing virtually and Mr. M.R. Patra, learned Addl. Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record.
4. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-a-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and



regard being had to the pre-trial detention of the Petitioner in custody since 13.08.2022 with substantial progress in the trial with examination of material witness like the informant and taking into account the opinion of the Doctor as to cause of death of the deceased which is opined to be on account of suicidal hanging in the PM report and keeping in view the inherent right of the accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial and there being unlikelihood of tampering of the evidence of material witnesses, this Court without expressing any view on merits admits the petitioner to bail.

5. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and he is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds in the sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) only 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.

6. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of.

7. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

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