



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**  
**CRLREV NO.1137 of 2025**

(An application U/S. 438/442 of BNSS, 2023 r/w Sec. 102 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

***Sahil @ Jyoti Ranjan      ....      Petitioner***  
***Jakaka***

***State of Odisha      -versus-      Opposite Party***  
***....***

***For Petitioner      :      Mr. A.Mishra, Advocate***

***For Opposite      :      Mr. R.B.Mishra, Addl.PP***  
***Party***

**CORAM:**

**JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY**

**DATE OF HEARING & JUDGMENT:23.02.2026 (ORAL)**

**G. Satapathy, J.**

1.                This criminal revision U/S. 102 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (in short "the Act") is directed against the impugned order dated 28.11.2025 passed by the learned Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-Presiding Officer Children's Court, Rayagada in Bail Appeal No. 17 of 2025 confirming the order passed by the learned Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Justice Board, Rayagada in JJC Case No. 78 of 2025 arising out of Rayagada PS Case No. 259



of 2025 refusing to grant bail to the revision-petitioner who is child in conflict with law(CICL) for commission of offence punishable U/S. 310(2) of BNS, on the main allegation of committing dacoity from the informant by taking away cash of Rs.50,000/- and one mobile phone along with adult co-accused persons.

**2.** Heard, Mr.Arijeet Mishra, learned counsel for the revision-petitioner and Mr.R.B.Mishra, learned Addl. PP and perused the record.

**3.** Admittedly, bail to the Child-in-Conflict with Law can be refused only in case of existence of reasonable materials for believing that the release of the CICL would expose him to moral, physical and psychological danger or his release would defeats the ends of the justice, but in this case despite availing opportunity, the State has failed to produce the Social Investigation Report of the CICL, however, the learned State counsel by perusing the Social Background Report of the CICL confirms that the CICL has no past criminal antecedent. It is, however, not disputed that the revision-petitioner is a Child-in-Conflict with Law, but he is in detention home since 31.10.2025 and he is student



of Class IX as per the materials on record. In the aforesaid facts and situation and taking into account the other circumstance on record and finding no adverse report against the CICL, this Court, however, considers it in the interest of justice to admit the revision-petitioner to bail.

**4.** In the result, the criminal revision stands allowed on contest, but in the circumstance, there is no order as to cost and the impugned order passed by the learned Presiding Officer Children's Court, Rayagada is hereby set aside, so also the order passed the learned JJB, Rayagada in JJC Case No. 78 of 2025 arising out of Rayagada PS Case No. 259 of 2025 in refusing bail to the CICL. Consequently, the revision-petitioner-cum-CICL be admitted to bail by the forum/Court in seisin over the matter on such terms and conditions as deems fit and proper with further condition that the father-guardian shall ensure the continuation of education of the CICL.

**(G. Satapathy)**  
**Judge**

*Orissa High Court, Cuttack,  
Dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2026/Kishore*