



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.250 of 2026

Juel Pani & Another

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Petitioners

Mr. S.N. Padhy, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

...

Opposite Party

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)

24.02.2026

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 BNSS by the petitioners for grant of bail in connection with Inspector of Excise, EI & EB, Unit-II (SD), Berhampur PR No. 491 of 2025-26 corresponding to 2(a)CC Case No.75 of 2025 (N) pending in the Court of learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Ganjam, Berhampur for commission of offence punishable U/Ss. 20(b)(ii)(C) of NDPS Act, on the main allegation of transporting 40Kgs of Contraband Ganja in an auto rickshaw bearing Regd. No.OD-18B-7301.
3. Heard, Mr. Surendra Nath Padhy, learned counsel for the petitioners appearing virtually and Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Addl. PP 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 petitioners vis-à-vis



the accusations sought to be brought against them and regard being had to the recovery and seizure of such a huge quantity of Contraband Ganja to the tune of 40Kgs, which is well above the commercial quantity from the vehicle allegedly in occupation of the petitioners and their consequent failure to satisfy the conditions of Sec.37 of NDPS Act, which is *sine qua non* for grant of bail for commission of offence under NDPS Act involving commercial quantity, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to any of the petitioners, more particularly when the investigation is going on.

Hence, the prayer for bail of the petitioners stands rejected. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. A soft copy of this order be immediately forwarded to the court in seisin over the matter for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

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