



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 5041 of 2026

Sanjayananda @

Sanjay Behera@ Lucky

Petitioner

Mr. P.K. Pradhan, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

.... ***Opposite Parties***

Mr. C.R. Swain, AGA

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

27.07.2026

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- 03.** 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Special POCSO Case No.12 of 2026 pending on the file of learned Additional District and Sessions Judge-cum-Special Court under POSCO Act, arising out of Angul P.S. Case No.91 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 75/76 of BNS with Section 12 of POCSO Act (Amended), 2012, 2019.
3. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that it's a case of false implication and on instruction, it is further submitted that earlier also similar allegations were made.



4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail and submits that charge sheet has been filed on 31.03.2026 and the Petitioner has the following criminal antecedents;

- i. Angul P.S. Case No.138 of 2025
U/s.126(2)/115(2)/296 BNS
- ii. Angul P.S. Case No.726 of 2024
U/s.296/351(2)/3(5) of BNS
- iii. Angul P.S. Case 1133 of 2020
U/s.341/294/323/354-B/506 IPC
- iv. Angul P.S. Case No.807 of 2020
U/s.341/294/323/354-B IPC

5. Be that as it may, this Court perused the 183 BNSS statement of the victim.

6. Considering tenor thereof and the criminal antecedent of Petitioner, this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail. However, in the event the Petitioner surrenders before the learned Court in seisin in the aforesaid case and moves an application for his release on bail, the same shall be considered on its own merit.

7. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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