



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.5988 of 2026
CNR No.ODHC010434772026

Satya Prakash Baral ... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.P. Mahapatra, Advocate

-versus-

State of Orissa ... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL) 07.08.2026

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 BNSS Act by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Excise Station District Mobile Unit Puri PR Case No.36 of 2026-27 corresponding to Spl GR Case No.63 of 2026 pending in the Court of learned Special Judge, Puri for commission of offences punishable U/S. 21(b)/29 of the NDPS Act, on the main allegation of possessing 120grams of Brown Sugar.
3. Heard, Mr. Sudhansu Prasad Mahapatra, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record. On being queried about the criminal antecedent of the petitioner, Mr. Mahapatra volunteers to withhold bail to the petitioner, if he is found to have any criminal antecedent for commission of offence under NDPS Act.
4. After having considered the rival submissions and ongoing through the material placed on record and regard being had to the pre-trial detention of the Petitioner in custody since 27.04.2026 with framing of charge in the



meantime and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of the accused-petitioner to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial and the quantity of Contraband article allegedly recovered in this case being not beyond commercial quantity, which does not attract the provision of Sec. 37 of NDPS Act, this Court without expressing any view on merit admits the Petitioner to bail, but subject to verification of his criminal antecedent.

5. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and the petitioner is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty 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.

In view of the specific submission as advanced for the petitioner, the benefit of this order shall not be extended to the petitioner, if he is found to have any criminal antecedent for commission of offences under NDPS Act.

6. 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.

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(G. Satapathy)
Judge