



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**ABLAPL No.7054 of 2026**

**Sadab Khan**

....

**Petitioner**

M/s. Mohammed Akhter Raza Khan, Advocate

-Versus-

**State of Odisha**

....

**Opposite Party**

Ms. B.K. Sahu, AGA

**CORAM:**

**MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK**

**Order  
No.**

**ORDER  
29.06.2026**

01. 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and State.
2. Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS by the petitioner seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with Bhadrak Town P.S. Case No.323 of 2026 corresponding to G.R. Case No.1455 of 2026 pending in the file of learned S.D.J.M., Bhadrak on the grounds stated.
3. Gone through the FIR as at Annexure-1. It is submitted to the Court that the petitioner was not present at the spot but apprehends arrest in view of the confessional statement of the co-accused helper. It is submitted that the cows were being transported in the alleged vehicle illegally at the time when it was intercepted. It is informed by learned counsel for the petitioner that the accused is having six antecedents but registered one after the other after the initial report lodged, hence, having such antecedents against him. This Court is informed by Ms. Sahu, learned AGA that the petitioner was the



driver of the vehicle in question. Only nine cows were shown to have been transported in a Scorpio vehicle seized by the local PS. Considering the above facts and submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties, this Court, though not in favour of considering the bail plea of the petitioner, however, is inclined to direct the petitioner to surrender before the learned court below for being released with stringent conditions for the antecedents to his credit.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. It is further directed that in the event, the petitioner surrenders before the court of learned S.D.J.M., Bhadrak in connection with G.R. Case No.1455 of 2026 corresponding to Bhadrak Town P.S. Case No.323 of 2026 within a fortnight from today, he shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bail bond of Rs.20,000/-(rupees twenty thousand) with one solvent surety for the like amount with such other conditions imposed besides the following, such as, he shall attend the PS once in a fortnight and to report the IO for the purpose of investigation and also to furnish an undertaking that he shall not be involve himself in any such legal transportation of cattle in future.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

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**(R.K. Pattanaik)**  
**Judge**