



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

**W.P.(C) No.25934 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010601592026**

Pritam Naik

..... Petitioner
Mr. R.K.Das, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and Ors.

..... Opposite Parties
Mr. S.N.Nayak, ASC

**CORAM:
SHRI JUSTICE B. P. ROUTRAY
ORDER
19.08.2026**

Order No.

01. 1. The matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard Mr. Das, learned counsel for the Petitioner and Mr. Nayak, learned ASC for the State.
3. The Petitioner has prayed for preservation of the CCTV footage of Jharbandha Police Station in the district of Baragarh for the day on 5th May 2026 and 6th May 2026. It is stated by the Petitioner that the truck allegedly containing contraband was already parked in the premises of police station prior to the arrest of co-accused persons, where present Petitioner has been entangled in the offence under Section 20(b)(ii)C of the NDPS Act read with Section 29. It is further stated that the



investigation in the case, i.e. Jharbandha P.S. Case No.65 of 2026, is continuing.

4. Considering such limited prayer of the Petitioner, the writ petition is disposed of at the stage of admission, without expressing any opinion on the merits of contentions of the petitioner, permitting the Petitioner to approach the Investigating Officer in this regard and in such event, the Investigation Officer shall take appropriate steps, in accordance with law.

5. An urgent certified copy of this order shall be issued on proper application.

(B.P. Routray)
Judge

S.Das