

16.08.2022
Serial no. 03
[Dd]
(Anticipatory bail)
Allowed

CRM (A) 3708 of 2022

In re : An Application for **Anticipatory Bail** under Section **438** of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with **Bhupatinagar** Police Station Case No. **189** of **2022** dated **20.05.2022** under Sections **135(i)(b)** of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with amendment Act, 2007.

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In the matter of : **Bhanu Paul**

... .. Petitioner

Mr. Amal Krishna Samanta, Advocate
... .. For the Petitioner

Mr. Narayan Prasad Agarwala,
Mr. Pratick Bose, Advocates
... ..For the State

Mr. Aniket Mitra, Advocate
.. ..For the WBSEDCL

The petitioner deposited 50% of the final assessment bill with the Distribution Company.

Considering the gravity of the offence and the involvement of the petitioner therein and considering the fact that the petitioner complied with the order dated August 3, 2022, we are inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, we direct that in the event of arrest the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only), with two sureties of like amount each, to the satisfaction of the arresting officer and also be subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and on further

condition that the petitioner shall report before the Investigating Officer as and when called for till the conclusion of the investigation and on further condition that the petitioner shall appear on every date before the jurisdictional Court on and from the date fixed for appearance of the accused and in default the jurisdictional Court will pass appropriate order to secure the presence of the petitioner in Court including cancelling the anticipatory bail granted without further reference to this Court.

Prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is **allowed**.

CRM (A) 3708 of 2022 is **disposed of**.

(Debangsu Basak, J.)

(Bibhas Ranjan De, J.)