

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.298 of 2022

Haguru Naik

....

Petitioner

Mr. B.B. Routray, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

*Smt. Susamarani Sahoo,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

31.01.2022

Order No.

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This matter is taken up by video conferencing mode.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with Industrial P.S. (Nisa) Case No.270 of 2021 corresponding to Special POCSO Case No.85 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned Special Judge, POCSO, Angul for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 341/294/354-B/506 of the Indian Penal Code read with section 12 of the POCSO Act.

Perused the first information report annexed to the anticipatory bail application.

Since one of the offence is under section 12 of the POCSO Act, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, it is observed that in the event the

petitioner surrenders in the Court below within a period of four weeks from today and moves for bail before the learned Court below, the same shall be disposed of as expeditiously as possible by the Court below in accordance with law. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned for adjudication of the bail application.

The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

Parties may utilize the soft copy of this order available in the High Court's website or print out thereof at par with certified copy in the manner prescribed vide office order dated 7th January 2022.

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