

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.449 of 2022

***Jyoti Ranjan Nayak @
Bapuni*** ***Petitioner***

Mr.R.N. Singh, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha ***Opp. Party***

*Mr.D.K. Pani,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

**CORAM:
JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO**

**ORDER
01.02.2022**

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01. This matter is taken up through video conferencing mode.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State as well as learned counsel for the informant.

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with Rajgangpur P.S. Case No.08 of 2022 corresponding to G.R. Case No. 13 of 2022 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C., Rajgangpur for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 147, 148, 341, 294, 506, 323, 186, 283, 353, 332, 149 of the Indian Penal Code and

section 25 of the Arms Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the L & T Manufacturing Unit at Kansbahal had acquired certain lands of the local people belonging to S.C. & S.T. communities with the promises that the company would give employment to them after acquiring their lands, but later on the Company did not keep up its promise and in order to ventilate their grievances, the local people staged 'Dharana' and the petitioner was leading the other persons, who were blocking the main entrance road of L & T Manufacturing Unit demanding employment and that is how the petitioner has been falsely entangled in the case. Learned counsel further submitted that some of the co-accused persons have been taken into custody and they have already been released on bail and therefore, the anticipatory bail application may be favourably considered.

Learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties, the nature of accusation against the petitioner, release of the co-accused persons on bail and on hearing the learned counsel for the State, I am inclined to release the petitioner on anticipatory bail and accordingly, this Court directs that in the event of arrest of the petitioner in connection with the aforesaid case, he

shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/-(Rupees ten thousand) with two sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the arresting officer with further conditions that he shall make himself available for interrogation by the I.O. as and when required and he shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing any facts to the Courts or to the Investigating Officer. Violation of any of the conditions shall entail cancellation of bail.

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.

(**S.K. Sahoo**)
Judge

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