

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.578 of 2022

Subash Challan

....

Petitioner

Mr.S.K. Rout, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

*Mrs. Susamarani Sahoo,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

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

ORDER

02.02.2022

Order No.

01. This matter is taken up through video conferencing.

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 Machhakund P.S. Case No. 19 of 2020 corresponding to T.R. Case No. 18 of 2020 pending in the Court of learned Addl. Sessions Judge -cum- Special Judge, Koraput in which charge sheet has been submitted for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 20(b)(ii)(C) and 29 of the N.D.P.S. Act.

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

In view of the fact that it is a case of seizure of commercial quantity of ganja and in view of the bar under section 37 of the N.D.P.S. Act, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, it is observed that in the event the petitioner surrenders and moves for bail before the Court below within a period of four weeks from today the learned Court below shall dispose of the same expeditiously in accordance with law and the claim of parity with the co-accused persons, who are stated to have been released on bail, shall be taken into account. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned for disposal of the bail application.

The ABLAPL stands 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

PKSahoo