

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.848 of 2022

Pravat Akhua

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Petitioner

Mr.N. Beura, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

Mr.A.K. Beura

Addl. Standing Counsel

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

**ORDER
03.02.2022**

Order No.

01. This matter is taken up through 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 Banki P.S. Case No. 283 of 2020 corresponding to G.R. Case No. 395 of 2020 pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Banki for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 147, 148, 341, 338, 427, 302, 149 of the Indian Penal Code, section 27 of the Arms Act, sections 3 and 4 of the Explosive Substances Act 1908.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the case was registered against thirteen accused persons and eleven of them have already been released on bail and therefore, the

prayer for anticipatory bail may favourably be considered.

Since it is a case under section 302 of the Indian Penal Code, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, it is observed that in the event the petitioner surrenders and moves for bail in the Court below within a period of four weeks from today the learned Court below shall dispose of the same in accordance with law expeditiously and the claim of parity with the co-accused, who are stated to have been released on bail, shall be taken into account. The case records shall be made available to the Courts 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

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