

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 1362 of 2022

**1. Alekha Mallick
2. Sumitra Mallick**

.... Petitioners

Mr.B.K. Bal, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

.... Opp. Party

*Mrs. Susamarani Sahoo
Addl. Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

22.02.2022

Order No.

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This matter is taken up through Hybrid arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

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

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in connection with Kissannagar P.S. Case No. 81 of 2020 corresponding to G.R. Case No. 1110 of 2020 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C. (R), Cuttack for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 498-A/306/304-B of the Indian Penal Code read with section 4 of the D.P. Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted

that the petitioners are the in-laws of the deceased and some of the co-accused persons who are in-laws of the deceased have already been released on bail and the anticipatory bail application of the petitioners may be favourably considered.

Learned counsel for the State opposed the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, it is observed that in the event the petitioners surrender and move 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.

Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

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(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

