

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.2071 of 2022

Golak Kumar Sahoo* *Petitioner

Mr. P.S. Das, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha (Vig)* *Opp. Party

*Mr. M.S. Rizvi,
Addl. Standing Counsel(Vig)*

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

**ORDER
12.05.2022**

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

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the Vigilance Department.

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with Balasore Vigilance P.S. Case No. 29 of 2021 corresponding to V.G.R. Case No.11 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned Special Judge, Vigilance, Keonjhar for the commission of the alleged offences under sections 409 and 471 of the Indian Penal Code read with sections 13(2) and 13(1)(a) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner was asked to

obtain instruction from the petitioner as to whether the petitioner is ready and willing to deposit a sum of rupees five lakhs, which is the misappropriated Government money.

Today, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not received any amount.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties, since Government money has been misappropriated, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, liberty is granted to him to surrender and move for bail in the Court below within a period of four weeks from today in the event of which the learned Court below shall dispose of the same in accordance with law. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned for disposal of the bail application.

The ABLAPL stands disposed of.

Issue urgent certified copy as per Rules.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge