

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.2550 of 2022

Bapi @ Bapi Thakur* *Petitioner

Mr. B.K. Ragada, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha* *Opp. Party

*Mr. J.P. Patra,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

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

**ORDER
29.03.2022**

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

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

This is an application under section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with C.T. Case No.1805 of 2021 arising out of Brajrajnagar P.S. Case No.216 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Jharsuguda for alleged commission of offence under section 394 of the Indian Penal Code.

Perused the F.I.R.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been named in the first information report as an accused along with the co-accused persons, who were taken into custody and they have been released

on bail and therefore, the anticipatory bail application of the petitioner may be favourably considered.

Learned counsel for the State 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, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, it is observed that in the event the petitioner surrenders in the Court below within a period of four weeks from today and moves for bail, the same shall be disposed of as expeditiously as possible by the Courts below in accordance with law and claim of parity with the co-accused persons, who are stated to have been released on bail, shall be taken into account at the time of adjudication of the bail application. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned.

The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

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

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

RKM