

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.2665 of 2022

- 1. Chintamani Jena**
- 2. Debendra Jena**
- 3. Nabakishor Dhal**
- 4. Bichitrananda Dhal**
- 5. Pabitrāmohan Dhal**
- 6. Sachitramohan Dhal**
- 7. Jibanjyoti Jena**
- 8. Ajit Sahu**
- 9. Amarjit Sahu**
- 10. Jibanjyoti Jena**
- 11. Somanatha Sahu**
- 12. Rupam Dhal**
- 13. Pragnyadeepta Sahu**
- 14. Apurba Kumar Sahu**
- 15. Bikram Kumar Jena**
- 16. Benudhar Bhuyan**
- 17. Sasanka Kumar Dhal**
- 18. Suresh Kumar Dhal**
- 19. Subrat Dhal**
- 20. Biraja Dhal**
- 21. Kedar Dhal**
- 22. Amina Das**

.... **Petitioners**

Mr. P. Swain, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

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Opp. Party

Mr. A.K. Beura,
Addl. Standing Counsel

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

ORDER

05.04.2022

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01. This matter is taken up through Hybrid

arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

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

This is an application under section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in connection with G.R. Case No.104 of 2022 arising out of Nihalprasad P.S. Case No.59 of 2022 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C., Gondia for alleged commission of offences under sections 147/148/380/323/332/333/427/353/149 of the Indian Penal Code read with sections 135/135A of the Representation of People Act, 1951 and 1988.

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

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners that the case arises out of an election dispute and the offences are triable by Magistrate and taking into account the nature of accusation against the petitioners and on hearing the learned counsel for the State, I am inclined to release the petitioners on anticipatory bail and accordingly, this Court directs that in the event of arrest of the petitioners in connection with the aforesaid case, they shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (rupees ten thousand) each with two sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the arresting officer with further conditions that they shall make themselves available for interrogation by

the I.O. as and when required and they shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to the Investigating Officer.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall entail cancellation of bail.

The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

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

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge



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