

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.11220 of 2022

Pradipta Kumar Das

Petitioner

....

Mr. A.S.Paul, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.Patra, A.S.C.

**CORAM:
JUSTICE A.K.MOHAPATRA**

**ORDER
15.09.2022**

Order No.

01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner, learned Addl. Standing Counsel for the State. Perused the records.
3. This is an application under Section 438, Cr.P.C. filed by the Petitioner for anticipatory bail, involving offence punishable under Sections 120-B/34/379/411 of the Indian Penal Code read with Section 12 of Orissa Mineras (Prevention of Theft Smuggling & Unlawful Activities) Act, 1989 and Section 68 of Orissa Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 2004.
4. Considering the seriousness of the allegation, gravity of the offence and the facts of the case, although I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the Petitioner, however it is observed that, in the event the Petitioner surrenders and moves for bail before the learned S.D.J.M., Khurda in G.R. Case No.1407 of 2022 corresponding to

Khurda P.S. Case No.168 of 2022 within a period of three weeks from today, he shall be released on bail on such terms and conditions as the learned Magistrate may deem just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case, but subject to verification of Criminal Antecedents of the Petitioner.

While imposing conditions for bail, learned Magistrate shall also impose the following additional conditions –

- (i) The Petitioner shall appear before the I.O. and shall cooperate with the investigation as and when required by the I.O.;
- (ii) He shall not get himself involved in similar nature of offence and shall not allow the vehicle to be used in such offence while on bail.
- (iii) He shall appear before the trial court on each date fixed for trial, without fail.

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

6. The ABLAPL is disposed of accordingly.

7. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge