

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.11983 of 2022

Soukat Ali Saha @ Saukat Saha ***Petitioner***
Mr. Sarada Prasada Dash, Advocate
-versus-
State of Odisha ***Opp. Party***
Mr. M.K. Mohanty, A.S.C.

CORAM:

JUSTICE A.K. MOHAPATRA

ORDER

22.09.2022

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01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State.
3. This is an application under Section 438, Cr.P.C. filed by the petitioner for anticipatory bail.
4. The petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.47 of 2018, arising out of Soro P.S. Case No.27 of 2018 pending in the court of learned J.M.F.C., Soro for commission of offences punishable under Sections 294/506/153-A/, I.P.C. read with Section 25 of the Arms Act.
5. Considering the nature of allegation, gravity of offence and the fact of the case, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. However, it is directed that in the event the petitioner surrenders and moves an application for bail before the learned court in seisin over the matter within a period of three weeks from today in the aforesaid case, he shall be released on bail on such terms and

conditions as would be deemed just and proper with further conditions that:-

- I. The petitioner shall cooperate with the Investigating Officer as and when required for the purpose of investigation;
- II. he shall not indulge in similar nature of criminal activities while on bail;
- III. he shall not threaten, harass and terrorize the informant and her /his family members in any manner whatsoever; and
- IV. he shall not default in attendance of the court during trial on each of date of posting.

Violation of any of the terms and conditions shall entail cancellation of bail.

6. It is further directed that the bail granted to the petitioner is subject to the condition that learned court below shall verify whether the petitioner has more than one criminal antecedents of similar nature. In the event it is found that the petitioner has more than one criminal antecedents of similar nature, this bail order shall automatically stand revoked.

7. Accordingly, the ABLAPL is disposed of.

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

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge