

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No. 9705 of 2022

Likun Jena

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Petitioner

Mr. P.K. Panda, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Another

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. A. Pradhan, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

25.11.2022

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State.
3. The petitioner is an accused in connection with G.R. Case No.657 of 2022 corresponding to Special (POCSO) Case No.71 of 2022, pending in the Court of learned Special Judge (POCSO), Angul, arising out of Thakurgarh P.S. Case No.172 of 2022, for commission of offences under Sections 363/365/376(2)(n) of IPC read with Section 6(1) of POCSO Act.
4. Being aggrieved by the rejection of his application for bail U/s.439 Cr.P.C. by the learned A.D.J.-cum-Special Court, under POCSO Act, Angul, by order dated 03.09.2022 in the aforementioned case, the present BLAPL has been filed.
5. It is submitted by the learned counsel that the petitioner is in custody since 18.07.2022 and since charge-sheet has already

been filed on 10.09.2022, further continuance of the petitioner in custody is unwarranted.

6. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for bail.

7. Perused the 164 Cr.P.C. statement of the victim.

8. Considering the tenor thereof, this Court directs the petitioner to be released on bail on such terms to be fixed by the learned Court in seisin over the matter.

9. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of.

10. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rule.

Ayesha

