

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**BLAPL No. 9867 of 2022**

***Rajindra Rana @ Rajendra  
Jena***

....

***Petitioner***

Mr. S. Dwibedi, Advocate

*-versus-*

***State of Orissa***

....

***Opposite Party***

Mr. K.K. Gaya, ASC

**CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH**

**ORDER  
27.10.2022**

**Order No.**

**01.**

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
3. The petitioner is an accused in connection with 2(a) CC Case No.12 of 2022 (NDPS), pending in the file of the learned Special Judge-cum-Additional Sessions Judge, Kantamal, arising out of Excise P.R. No.59 of 2022-23 of OIC of Excise Station, Kantamal, for alleged commission of offences under Section 20(b)(ii)(B) of the N.D.P.S. Act.
4. Being aggrieved by the rejection of his application for bail U/s.439 Cr.P.C. by the learned Additional District & Sessions Judge, Kantamal, by order dated 30.09.2022 in the aforementioned case, the present BLAPL has been filed.
5. Perused the order of rejection.

6. Admittedly since the quantity of the contraband (Ganja) is to the tune of 8Kgs is less than the commercial quantity as prescribed, this Court directs the petitioner to be released on bail on such terms to be fixed by the Court in seisin over the matter.

7. While releasing the petitioner on bail, the learned court in seisin over the matter shall verify criminal antecedent of the petitioner. If it comes to the fore that the petitioner has any criminal antecedent, this order shall stand recalled.

8. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of.

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

*Ayesha*

