

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.12984 of 2022

***Jitu @ Jitendra Kumar Sethi @
Jitendra Sethi & another***

.... ***Petitioners***
Mr. A.K. Mishra-3, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

.... ***Opposite Party***
Mr. Shashanka Patra, A.S.C.

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

**ORDER
12.10.2022**

Order No.

01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and learned Addl. Standing Counsel for the State.
3. This is an application under Section 438, Cr.P.C. filed by the Petitioners for anticipatory bail, involving offence punishable under Sections 448/341/294/323/354/427/506/34, I.P.C.
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 Petitioners, however it is observed that, in the event the Petitioners surrender and move for bail before the learned J.M.F.C., Ranpur in G.R. Case No.352 of 2022 corresponding to Ranpur P.S. Case No.234 of 2022 within a period of three weeks from today, they 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 the Criminal Antecedents of the Petitioners. If it is found that there is more than one criminal antecedent of similar nature against the Petitioners, then this bail order shall stand automatically revoked.

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

- (i) The Petitioners shall appear before the I.O. and shall cooperate with the investigation as and when required by the I.O.;
- (ii) They shall not threaten, terrorise, ill-treat or harass the Informant and her family members including the prosecution witnesses in any manner whatsoever.

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

5. The ABLAPL is disposed of accordingly.
6. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

S.K.Parida