

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No. 10560 of 2021

Damodar Mahanandia

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Petitioner

*Mr. Jugala Kishore Panda,
Advocate*

-Versus -

State of Odisha

Opposite Party

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*Mr. S.N. Das,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA

ORDER

21.01.2022

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1. This matter is taken up through virtual mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State.
3. The petitioner has been arrested in connection with Boudh P.S. Case No. 259 of 2021 corresponding to C.T. Case No. 456 of 2021 pending in the court of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Boudh for the alleged commission of offence under Section 20(b)(ii)(B) of the NDPS Act.
4. Considering the submissions made, the materials on record, the period of detention already undergone and the fact that the seized contraband is less than commercial quantity being 14 Kgs. of ganja as also the fact that the co-accused has already been released on bail, I am inclined to allow the prayer for bail. Let the petitioner be released on bail on such terms and conditions as the court in seisin over the matter may deem fit and proper to impose including the condition that he shall personally appear before the trial court

on each date of posting of the case without fail.

5. The BLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

6. As the restrictions due to resurgence of COVID-19 situation are continuing, learned counsel for the parties may utilize a printout of the order available in the High Court's website, at par with certified copy, subject to attestation by the concerned advocate, in the manner prescribed vide Court's Notice No.4587, dated 25th March, 2020, modified by Notice No.4798, dated 15th April, 2021, and Court's Office Order circulated vide Memo Nos. 514 and 515 dated 7th January, 2022.

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge

B.C. Tudu

