

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 15849 of 2021

1. Lalit Kumar Sahoo

2. Basudev Sahoo

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Petitioners

Mr.Sekh Zakir Husain, *Advocate*

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

Mr. A.K. Beura

Addl. Standing Counsel

CORAM:

JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

11.01.2022

Order No.

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This matter is taken up through Video Conferencing Mode.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in connection with Badagada P.S. Case No.400 of 2021 corresponding to C.T. Case No.6282 of 2021 pending in the court of learned S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar for alleged commission of offences under sections 498-A/323/304-B/302/34 of the Indian Penal Code read with section 4 of the D.P. Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted

that the husband of the deceased has already been arrested and taken into custody and there is no marriage between the main accused, namely Manmath Sahoo @ Papu and the deceased. So, the ingredients of offence under section 498-A is also not attracted.

Learned counsel for the State opposed the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties and in view of the nature and gravity of accusation against the petitioners, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, I direct that in the event the petitioners surrender before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks from today and move for bail, the same shall be considered in accordance with law expeditiously. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned.

The ABLAPL stands disposed of.

Parties may utilize the soft copy of this order available in the High Court's website or print out thereof at par with certified copy in the manner prescribed vide Office Order dated 7th January 2022.

