

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 16280 of 2021

Padmanav Rout

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Petitioner

Mr. S.K. Das, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

*Mr.A.K. Beura,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

20.01.2022

Order No.

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This matter is taken up by video conferencing mode.

Heard Mr. S.K. Das, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

This is an application under section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with G.R. Case No.543 of 2021 arising out of Barbil P.S. Case No.159 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C., Barbil for alleged commission of offences under sections 506/507/120-B/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Perused the F.I.R.

Considering the submissions made by the

learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is a retired Asst. Conservator of Forest, Barbil Range and the informant is involved in various illegal activities and since the petitioner was contemplating to bring the illegal activities to the notice of others, the case has been foisted and the offences are triable by Magistrate and the only non-bailable offence is under section 506 of the Indian Penal Code and on hearing the learned counsel for the State, I am inclined to release the petitioner on anticipatory bail and accordingly, this Court directs that in the event of arrest of the petitioner in connection with the aforesaid case, he shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (rupees ten thousand) with two sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the arresting officer with further conditions that he shall make himself available for interrogation by the I.O. as and when required and he shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to the Investigating Officer.

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

The ABLAPL is accordingly 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.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

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