

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL No.11410 of 2021

Sumanta Sahu

....

Petitioner

Mr. B.R. Tripathy, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Mr. S.S. Mohapatra, A.S.C.

CORAM:

JUSTICE B. P. ROUTRAY

ORDER

28.01.2022

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through video conferencing.
2. This is an application under Sec.439 Cr.P.C. for bail and the offence alleged is under Sec.20(a) of the NDPS Act for cultivation of 400 hemp plants.
3. Heard Mr. B.R. Tripathy, learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as Mr. S.S. Mohapatra, learned A.S.C. for the State-Opposite Party.
4. It is submitted that the Petitioner is inside custody since 11.11.2021 and in the meantime investigation has progressed to substantial extent. It is further submitted that this Petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

5. Having heard Mr. Mohapatra, learned A.S.C. for the State- Opposite Party and considering the submissions, it is directed to release the Petitioner on bail in connection with Naktideul P.S. Case No.148/2021 corresponding to T.R. Case No.82/2021 on such terms and conditions to be fixed by the learned Addl. Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge (Special Court), Rairakhol as he deems just and proper including the condition that the Petitioner shall not be involved in any other offence while on bail.

6. The BLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

7. 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 as modified by Court's Notice No.4798, dated 15th April, 2021 and Court's Office Order circulated vide Memo No.514, dated 7th January, 2022.

(B.P. Routray)
Judge