

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 16601 of 2021

Pradip Sahoo **Petitioner**

Mr.S.C. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha **Opp. Party**

Mr. A. Das

Addl. Government Advocate

CORAM:

JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

ORDER

24.01.2022

Order No.

01. This matter is taken up through video conferencing mode.

Heard 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 Malgodown P.S. Case No.259 of 2021 corresponding to G.R. Case No.1600 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C. (City), Cuttack for alleged commission of offences under sections 420/273/272/34 of the Indian Penal Code and sections 59 and 63 of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2000.

In view of available material on record, the

nature and gravity of the accusation, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, it is observed that in the event the petitioner surrenders in the Court below and moves for bail before the learned Court below within a period of four weeks from today, the same shall be disposed of as expeditiously as possible by the Courts below in accordance with law and claim of parity with the co-accused shall be taken into account at the time of adjudication of the bail application. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned.

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.

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(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge