

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

BLAPL NO.11541 OF 2021

Manoj Kumar Mandal

....

Petitioner

Mr.A.N. Pattanayak, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opposite Party

Miss.S. Mishra, ASC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE D.DASH

ORDER

31.01.2022

Order No.

- 01.
1. This matter is taken up by Video Conferencing Mode.
 2. The Petitioner being in custody in connection with Malkangiri P.S. Case No.532 of 2021 corresponding to Special G.R. Case No.114 of 2021 on the file of learned Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Malkangiri, running for commission of offence under Section 20(b)(ii)(C)/25/27(A) of the NDPS Act, has filed this application under section 439 of the Cr.P.C. for her release on bail.
 3. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
 4. Taking into account the submissions made; further keeping in view the role said to have been played by the Petitioner as those emanate from the materials on records which stand against the Petitioner as well as the quantity of contraband said to have been seized with other surrounding

circumstances, at this stage of investigation; I am not inclined to grant of bail to the Petitioner.

However, it is open for the Petitioner to renew his prayer for grant of bail before the Court below after submission of the charge sheet.

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of.

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 Nos.514 and 515 dated 7th January, 2022.

**(D. Dash),
Judge.**