

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.16768 of 2021

Basanti Pradhan

....

Petitioner

Mr.P.R. Singh, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Opp. Party

Mrs. Susama Rani Sahoo

Addl. Standing Counsel

**CORAM:
JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO**

**ORDER
27.01.2022**

Order No.

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

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

This is an application under section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with Angul Sadar P.S. Case No. 722 of 2021 corresponding to G.R. Case No. 1604 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Angul for the commission of the alleged offences punishable under sections 498-A, 304-B, 306/34 of the Indian Penal Code read with section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

Perused the first information report annexed to the anticipatory bail application.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the

petitioner is the mother in-law of the deceased and she was staying separately from the deceased when she committed suicide and the present case has been foisted against the petitioner at the instance of the brother of the victim and therefore, the anticipatory bail application may be favourably considered.

Learned counsel for the State opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail.

Considering the submissions of the learned counsel for the respective parties, while not inclining to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, liberty is granted to the petitioner to surrender and move for bail in the Court below within a period of four weeks, in the event of which the learned Courts below shall dispose of the same in accordance with law expeditiously. The case records shall be made available to the Court concerned for disposal of the bail application.

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.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

PKSahoo