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C.R.M. (A) No. 158 of 2025

In Re:- An application for anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita in connection with Goghat Police Station Case No. 577 of 2024 dated 20.12.2024 under Section 135(1)(a)(c )/136(1)(a) of Electricity Act.

And  
In Re : Ashoke Pandit ..... petitioner

Mr. Suman Chakraborty  
Mr. Arobinda Manna  
.....for the petitioner

Mr. Ashok Das  
....for the State

Mr. Aniket Mitra  
..... for WBSEDCL

1. Heard the learned advocates for the parties.

2. We have considered the materials on record. Petitioner has deposited a sum of Rs.82,910/- against the final bill for unmetered consumption of electricity to the tune of Rs. Rs.1,65,819/-. In view of the aforesaid, we are inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

3. Accordingly, we direct that in the event of arrest the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.2,000/-, with two sureties of like amount each, to the satisfaction of the arresting officer and also be subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya

Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and on condition that he shall appear before the jurisdictional court and pray for regular bail within a period of four weeks from date.

4. The application for anticipatory bail is, thus, allowed.

**(Subhendu Samanta, J.)**

**(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)**