IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 6748 of 2025

A Santosh .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. C.R. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

ABLAPL No. 6478 of 2025

A.Santosh Patro @ Santu Anna .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.R. Mohapatra, Sr. Advocate
Mr. S. Mohapatra, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC
Mr. S.S. Ray-2, Adv.(Informant)

ABLAPL No. 6771 of 2025

Panchanan Sahu @ Panchu .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. C.R. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

ABLAPL No. 6773 of 2025

Sunil Nayak .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. C.R. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

ABLAPL No. 6895 of 2025

Sahil Ghadei …. ***Petitioner***

Mr. C.R. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha …. ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

ABLAPL No. 6930 of 2025

S.K. Zakir @ Sheik Zakir …. ***Petitioner***

Mr. C.R. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha …. ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

ABLAPL No. 7647 of 2025

1. M Jaya Prakash Rao @ M Jayprakash
2. M. Devi Prasad
3. Ippili Dwarkanath @ E. Swarikanath …. ***Petitioners***

Mr. S.K. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha …. ***Opposite Party***

Mr. S.N. Das, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
06.08.2025

Order No.

04. 1. Since all the ABLAPLs relate to the same FIR, they are heard together on the consent of the

parties and are being disposed of by this common order.

2. Heard learned Senior Counsel for the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.6478 of 2025, learned counsel for the Petitioners in the connected matters, learned counsel for the State and learned counsel for the Informant appearing in ABLAPL No.6478 of 2025.

3. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with G.R. Case No.1326 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Berhampur, arising out of Berhampur Town P.S. Case No.188 of 2025 for commission of offence punishable under Sections 61(2)/296/329(3)/305/308(3)/351(3) of BNS read with Section 25 of Arms Act.

4. It is submitted by the learned Senior Counsel for the Petitioners in ABLAPL No.6478 of 2025 and learned counsel for the Petitioners in other connected matters that even if the entire allegations are accepted at its face value, taking into account the nature of allegations, custodial interrogation of the Petitioners is not necessary.

5. Such submission is opposed by the learned counsel for the State as well as Informant appearing in ABLAPL No.6478 of 2025.

6. Learned counsel for the State has placed on record the affidavit filed by the I.O. indicating that all the Petitioners have number of criminal antecedents. The affidavit is taken on record.

7. It is also stated by the learned counsel for the State that in the meanwhile some of the co-accused persons were taken into custody.

8. Taking into account the nature of allegations, this Court is not inclined to entertain the ABLAPLs. However it is directed that the Petitioners may surrender before the learned S.D.J.M., Berhampur in connection with the aforementioned case within one month from today.

In the event of their surrender and motion for bail, the same be considered by the learned S.D.J.M., Berhampur on merits, in the first hour of the day.

In the event of rejection of the prayer for bail by the learned S.D.J.M., Berhampur, the Petitioners are at liberty to move the higher forum for bail in the second hour on the same day.

9. On being so moved, the higher forum is requested to make an endeavour to dispose of the bail application of the Petitioners on the same day.

The case diary shall be made available to the concerned courts to facilitate disposal of the bail

application of the Petitioners and learned S.D.J.M., Berhampur is called upon to transmit the case record to the higher forum at the earliest in the event of rejection of such bail application.

Ground of parity, if any, may be considered by the learned court(s) below.

10. Accordingly, the ABLAPLs stand disposed of. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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