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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : AB/2330/2026

ABDUL MATIN MAZUMDAR ALIAS ABDUL MATIN
S/O JABED ALI
VILL- CHOTO HARIPUR
P.S. SUKCHAR
DIST. SOUTH SALMARA MANKACHAR, ASSAM, PIN-783128

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ANR
REPRESENTED BY THE PP, ASSAM

2:MOFIAL HOQUE
S/O JOYNAL HOQUE
VILLAGE SOUTH KHOPATIA
P.S. SUKCHAR
DISTRICT SOUTH SALMARA MANKACHAR
ASSAM
PIN 78312

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. A Z AHMED, A.K.SK,A H AHMED,MR. A KHALEK

Advocate for the Respondent : PP, ASSAM, Z HUSSAIN(R2)

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ROBIN PHUKAN

ORDER

06.10.2026

Heard Mr. H. R. A. Choudhury, learned Senior Counsel assisted by Mr. A. Z. Ahmed, learned counsel for the applicant and Mr. B. Sarma, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State respondent No. 1. Also heard Mr. Z. Hussain, learned counsel for the respondent No. 2.

2. This application, under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023, is preferred by the applicant, namely, **Abdul Matin Mazumdar @ Abdul Matin**, who has been apprehending his arrest in connection with Sukchar P.S. Case No. 68/2026, under Sections 127(2)/64(2)/(m)/ 75[1(i)]/49 of the BNS, 2023, read with Section 6 of the POCSO Act, 2012, for grant of pre-arrest bail.

3. It is to be noted here that the above noted case has been registered on the basis of one FIR lodged by one Abdul Sheikh (actual name withheld), on 07.09.2026.

4. The essence of allegation in the FIR, dated 07.09.2026, is that few days back, one Rofique Ali had uploaded naked photographs of the informant's minor daughter, namely, Smti 'X' (name withheld), aged 16 years, in social media, for which, the informant had lodged an FIR on 30.08.2026, before the O/C Sukchar P.S. Thereafter, on 04.09.2026, at about 7:00 PM, Abdul Matin Mazumdar @ Abdul Matin, the applicant herein, took the informant's daughter to his house and shifted her to a room, and in the meantime, the applicant herein went out

from the house. Thereafter, said Rofique Ali committed rape upon his minor daughter, twice. And after sometime, the applicant herein returned to that room and touched her breasts and also tried to commit sexual assault upon her, as a result of which, she became senseless.

5. Mr. Choudhury, learned Senior Counsel submits that the applicant herein is an old person, who had retired as a teacher, and the victim girl is his relative, and that talks of marriage were going on between the victim girl and accused Rofique Sk was going on, but said proposal could not be materialized as the victim girl is a minor. He also submits that the applicant is innocent and is ready to cooperate with the investigating agency and therefore, he has contended to allow this application.

6. Per contra, Mr. Sarma, learned Additional Public Prosecutor has produced the case diary before this Court and referring to the submission of the victim girl recorded under Section 183 of the BNS, 2023, submits that the victim has clearly implicated the applicant with the offences alleged and the offences are serious in nature and that this is not a case where the privilege of pre-arrest bail can be granted and under such circumstances, he has contended to dismiss this application.

7. Mr. Hussain, learned counsel for the respondent No. 2 has vehemently opposed the petition on the ground that the I.O. has collected some materials against the present applicant and said Rofique Ali.

8. Having heard the submissions of the learned counsel for both the parties, this Court has carefully gone through the application and the documents placed

on record and also gone through the case diary with the assistance of the learned Additional Public Prosecutor.

9. Case diary reveals that the I.O. has collected sufficient incriminating materials against the present applicant.

10. In her statement under Section 183 of the BNSS, 2023, the victim girl has clearly implicated the present applicant with the alleged offences, which are serious in nature.

11. Considering the nature and gravity of the offence and also considering the fact that investigation is still going on, this Court is of the view that extending the privilege of pre-arrest bail to the applicant will hamper the investigation, and the possibility of tempering the witnesses also cannot be ruled out. And accordingly, this Court is inclined to dismiss this petition.

12. In terms of the above, this application stands disposed of.

13. Case diary be returned.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant