

05.03.2026
Court No.28
Item No.11
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Allowed

CRM (A) 2836 of 2025

In Re: - An application for anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with **Tamluk** P.S. Case No.**894 of 2024** dated **10.10.2024** under Sections **336(1), 336(2), 338, 336(3), 340(2), 318(4), 316(2), 61(2)** of the BNS, 2023.

And

In the matter of: **Pulok Chatterjee @ Pulak Chatterjee**

....Petitioner

Mr. Sudipto Panda
Mr. Subrata Ghosh

....for the petitioner

Ms. Faria Hossain, ld. APP
Ms. Poulami Bose

....for the State

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is a 71 year old man, who had an acquaintance with one of the principal accused. He was present in the Hotel in question as the said accused had promised him to arrange for a VIP darshan in the Kamakha Temple. The main allegation against the principal accused is to have taken commission for granting a work order, which was not real. The petitioner was not even named properly in the FIR. Charge sheet has already been submitted.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail. She submits that other accused were arrested. She relies on the statements of witnesses and copies of relevant documents. The petitioner was indeed present in the Hotel when the offers were being made by the other co-accused.

Considering the above, the other materials available in the case diary, the fact that the principal accused were arrested, the alleged roles ascribed to the present petitioner and the fact that charge sheet has already been submitted, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.10,000/- with two sureties of like amount each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer and also be subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 corresponding to Section 482(2) of the BNSS, 2023 and on further condition that the petitioner shall surrender before the learned jurisdictional Court and pray for bail within four weeks from this date and shall attend the jurisdictional Court regularly and shall not threaten or intimidate witnesses.

The application for anticipatory bail is, thus, allowed.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order may be supplied to the parties expeditiously, if applied for.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)