IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.217 of 2026

Rama Chandra Rana … ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.Majhi, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. S.C. Pradhan, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL)
09.04.2026

Order No.

03. 1. This is a bail application U/S.483 of BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Talsara PS Case No.198 of 2025 corresponding to Special GR Case No.94 of 2025 pending in the file of learned Addl. District Judge-cum-Special Court POCSO, Sundargarh, for commission of offences punishable U/Ss. 137(2)/64(2)(m)/351(2) of B.N.S. and sec. 6 of POCSO Act, 2012, on the main allegation of kidnapping the victim and committing rape and aggravated penetrative sexual assault upon her.

2. Heard, Mr. Sanjaya Majhi, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. S.C. Pradhan, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record. None appears for the victim despite being duly informed as apprised by learned Addl. PP.

3. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the pre trial detention of the petitioner in custody since 30.07.2025 with submission of charge

sheet in the meantime and taking into account the statement of the victim and keeping in view the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of the accused to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial, this Court without expressing any view on merits admits the petitioner to bail, but subject to certain conditions.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and the petitioner is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-five Thousand) only with one solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it with following conditions:-

> *(i) the petitioner shall not contact the victim in any way or any manner and he shall not visit to the house of the victim, &*
> *(ii) the petitioner shall not threaten, induce, influence or coerce any of the witnesses including the family members of the victim acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade them from disclosing such facts before the Court.*

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

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(G. Satapathy)
Judge