IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.1932 of 2026

Priyanka Priyadarshini Mohapatra …. **Petitioner**

Mr. A.S. Paul, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha …. **Opposite Party**

Ms. S. Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
08.04.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard.

2. Perused the P.R. as at Annexure-1 and also the final P.R. i.e. Annexure-3. It is submitted to the Court that the petitioner is the owner of the vehicle in question and not involved in the illicit transportation of contraband Heroin. Mr. Paul, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that such recovery was made from one Balaram Sahu and he has been released on bail and the petitioner being the owner of the alleged vehicle apprehends arrest in view of the notice as per Annexure-5. Considering the above facts, objection of the State and that the petitioner has not been criminally proceeded with since revealed from Annexure-3 as it is against said Balaram Sahu, this Court recording the submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties is of the view that the petitioner, as the investigation is kept pending in view of Annexure-1 and that she has been summoned to submit documents but the learned court below has been approached for issuance of

NBWA against her alleging that she has absconded, this Court under the above circumstances, is of the view that she should not be taken into custody in response to Annexure-5 but to direct her to appear before the Excise P.S. for the purpose for which she is summoned apparently to produce the relevant documents in respect of the vehicle, which was found transporting Heroin, when it was intercepted.

3. Accordingly, it is ordered.

4. In the result, the ABLAPL stands disposed of with the direction as aforesaid.

5. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

Balaram

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