IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CRLMP No.1777 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010810942026

Jagdish Behera ***.....*** ***Petitioner***

Represented by Adv. -
Bijaya Kumar Ragada

-versus-

State Of Odisha & Others ***.....*** ***Opposite Parties***

Represented by Adv. -

CORAM:
CORAM: JUSTICE SIBO SANKAR MISHRA

ORDER
13.11.2026

Order No.

02. 1. Heard.

2. The petitioner by invoking the jurisdiction of this Court under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India is seeking the following reliefs:-

> *"It is therefore prays that this Hon'ble court may graciously be pleased to admit this writ petition, issue notice calling upon the opp. parties to show cause as to why the and the investigation shall not be carried out;*
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> *And if the opp. parties fail to show cause or shown insufficient cause then your Lordships made the rule absolute in nature of mandamus or any other nature of writ/writs by directing the opp. parties to investigate the case properly and and to provide protection in respect of property and life of the petitioner and also investigate the case and take appropriate action against the culprits in pursuance to the F.I.R of the petitioner;*
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> *And the petitioner further prayed before you lordships to pass any other appropriate writ/writs, order/orders, direction/directions as would deem fit and proper,*

And for this act of kindness the petitioner shall as in duty bound ever pray."

3. The matter was taken up for hearing on 06.11.2026 and this Court passed the following order:-

> *2. The grievance of the petitioner is that at his instance FIR in Info City P.S. Case No.625 of 2026 has been registered on 14.07.2026 for the alleged commission of offence under Section 191(2), 191(3), 296, 115(2), 117(2), 118(1), 118(2), 109, 304 and 190 of BNS read with Section 25 and 27 of the Arms Act. The accused persons have approached this Court by filing ABLAPL No. 8817 of 2026, which has been turned down by this Court vide order dated 17.09.2026. Thereafter, the accused persons again threatened the petitioner. Hence, he submitted another complaint before the police station. Pursuant thereto, FIR in Info City P.S. Case No. 970 of 2026 has been registered under sections 223(a)/351(2)/3(5) of BNS.*
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> *3. Mr. Ragada, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that despite registration of the FIRs against the accused persons and this Court declined to grant anticipatory bail to the accused persons with regard to the first FIR, the police is not actively investigating into the case and letting off the accused persons at large and the accused persons are repeatedly threatening the petitioner.*
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> *4. Regard being had to the aforementioned, it is necessary that the State Counsel shall obtain instruction in the matter by the next date of hearing.*

4. Pursuant to the order dated 06.11.2026, as referred to above, the I.I.C., Info City Police Station has placed on record a report dated 12.11.2026. On perusal of the said report, it appears that the investigation in connection with the second F.I.R., registered as Info City P.S. Case No.970 dated 11.10.2026 is progressing at an expected pace. It is further stated in the report that the Investigating Officer is taking necessary steps to conclude the investigation and submit the final report under Section 173 of the Cr.P.C.

(corresponding to Section 193 of the B.N.S.S., 2023) shortly.

5. In view of the aforesaid report placed on record, no further order is called for in respect of the grievance relating to the progress of the investigation.

6. Mr. Ragada, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, however, submits that the petitioner apprehends threat to his life and property at the instance of the accused persons.

If the petitioner has such apprehension, it is open to him to approach the concerned police authorities by filing an appropriate application seeking necessary protection. If any such application is filed, the concerned authorities shall consider the same in accordance with law.

7. Accordingly, the CRLMP is disposed of. It is expected that opposite party No.5 shall ensure that the investigation in connection with the second case, i.e., Info City P.S. Case No.970 dated 11.10.2026, is conducted fairly and concluded expeditiously. The final report under Section 173 of the Cr.P.C. (corresponding to Section 193 of the B.N.S.S., 2023) shall be submitted before the competent Court without any unnecessary delay.

(S.S. Mishra)
Judge

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