IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.12653 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010857822026

Pravat @ Prabhat Keshari Samantasinghar .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.K. Bhanjadeo, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

ABLAPL No.12654 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010857862026

Ganesh Biswal .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.K. Bhanjadeo, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

ABLAPL No.12656 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010857902026

Byomakesh Biswal .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.K. Bhanjadeo, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
06.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Since all the ABLAPLs relate to the same FIR, on the consent of the parties, they are taken up together for consideration and disposed of by this common order.

2. Heard learned senior counsel for the Petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

3. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with G.R. Case No.1365 of 2026 pending on the file of learned S.D.J.M., Khurda arising out of Khordha P.S Case No.325 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 305(e)/329(3)/3(5) of The BNS, 2023 read with U/s-51 of Odisha Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016.

4. Taking into account the criminal proclivity of the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 (Pravat @ Prabhat Keshari Samantasinghar and Byomakesh Biswal), this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail in respect of the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 (Pravat @ Prabhat Keshari Samantasinghar and Byomakesh Biswal). However, it is directed that the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 may surrender before the learned S.D.J.M., Khurda in

connection with the aforementioned case within one month from today.

In the event of their surrender and motion for bail, the same be considered by the learned S.D.J.M., Khurda on merits, in the first hour of the day.

In the event of rejection of the prayer for bail by the learned S.D.J.M., Khurda, the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 are at liberty to move the higher forum for bail in the second hour on the same day.

5. On being so moved, the higher forum is requested to make an endeavour to dispose of the bail application of the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 on the same day on merit in accordance with law. `

The case diary shall be made available to the concerned courts to facilitate disposal of the bail application of the Petitioners in ABLAPL Nos.12653 and 12656 of 2026 and learned S.D.J.M., Khurda is called upon to transmit the case record to the higher forum at the earliest in the event of rejection of such bail application.

Ground of Parity, if any, may be considered by the learned court (s) below.

6. So far as the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.12654 of 2026 (Ganesh Biswal) is concerned, it is directed that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.12654 of 2026 (Ganesh Biswal) shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper.

7. It is further stated that the Petitioner in ABLAPL No.12654 of 2026 shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

8. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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