IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No. 12668 of 2026
CNR No.ODHC010860342026

Aswini Kumar Jena .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. J.K. Panda, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. S. Panda, ASC
Mr. K. Gaya, Adv. (Informant)

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

09.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Learned counsel Mr. K. Gaya and associates have entered appearance on behalf of the Informant by filing Vakalatanama. The same is taken on record.

Name of learned Mr. K. Gaya and associates, be reflected in the file, cause list as well as web portal of this Court.

2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State as well as Informant.

3. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.2479 of 2026 pending on the file of learned SDJM, Bhubaneswar, arising out of UPD Mahila P.S. Case No.377 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 85/ 351(2)/ 115(2)/ 109/ 3(5) of the BNS, r/w. Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail.

5. Taking into account the nature of allegations and the materials which have been produced by the learned counsel for the State, this Court is not inclined to entertain this application for pre-arrest bail.

However, it is directed that Petitioner may surrender before the learned SDJM, Bhubaneswar in connection with the aforementioned case within one month from today.

In the event of his surrender and motion for bail, the same be considered by the learned SDJM, Bhubaneswar on merits, in the first hour of the day.

In the event of rejection of the prayer for bail by the learned SDJM, Bhubaneswar, the Petitioner is at liberty to move the higher forum for bail in the second hour on the same day.

6. On being so moved, the higher forum is 6requested to make an endeavor to dispose of the bail application of the Petitioner on the same day.

The case diary shall be made available to the concerned courts to facilitate disposal of the bail application of the Petitioner and learned SDJM, Bhubaneswar is called upon to transmit the case record to the higher forum at the earliest in the event of rejection of such bail application.

7. It is needless to state that the Petitioner and the other accused persons shall not in any way try to intimidate or threaten the Informant or her family.

8. It shall be open for the Informant as well as the State to seek variance of this order, if there is any threat perception.

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

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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