IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 12697 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010862992026

1. Rani Das
2. Sibakanta Das …. ***Petitioners***
3. Jogi Das

Mr. J. Sahoo, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

09.11.2026

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01. 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

2. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with G.R. Case No.842 of 2026 pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C. Banpur, arising out of Banpur P.S. Case No.435 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Section 296/ 115(2)/ 332(c)/ 74/ 351(3)/ 3(5) of BNS.

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

4. Taking into account the nature of allegation and the overt act, this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail of Petitioner No.2. However, Petitioner No.2 may surrender before the

learned J.M.F.C. Banpur 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 J.M.F.C. Banpur on merits, in the first hour of the day.

In the event of rejection of the prayer for bail by the learned J.M.F.C. Banpur, the Petitioner No.2 is 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 endeavor to dispose of the bail application of the Petitioner on the same day.

The case diary be made available to the concerned courts to facilitate disposal of the bail application of the Petitioner No.2 and learned J.M.F.C. Banpur 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 Petitioner No.1 and 3 are concerned, considering that they are ladies and aged about 61 and 64 years respectively, this Court directs that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner No.1 and 3 shall be released on bail

by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper.

7. It is needless to state that the Petitioner No.1 and 3 shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

8. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

9. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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