IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.13172 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010880942026

1. Dilu @ Dillip Pani .... ***Petitioners***
2. Mantu @ Lingaraj Swain
3. Tapu @ Aswini Pani
4. Bina @ Binod Nayak
5. Kuna @ Kishor Nayak
6. Sarat @ Sarat Barik
7. Ranji @ Ranjit Muduli
8. Lucky @ Pratik Swain
9. Lipu @ Mrutunjaya Bhuyan

Mr. M.B. Das, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. S. Panda, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
19.11.2026

Order No.

03. 1. At the outset, learned counsel for the Petitioners submits that Petitioner No.7 (Ranji @ Ranjit Muduli) has been taken into custody. Hence the ABLAPL in respect of him has been rendered infructuous.

2. As such, the ABLAPL is confined to Petitioner Nos.1 to 6, 8 and 9 (Dilu @ Dillip Pani, Mantu @ Lingaraj Swain, Tapu @ Aswini Pani, Bina @ Binod Nayak, Kuna @ Kishor Nayak, Sarat @ Sarat Barik,

Lucky @ Pratik Swain and Lipu @ Mrutunjaya Bhuyan respectively).

3. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

4. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with G.R. Case No.1661 of 2026 pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C.(R), Cuttack, arising out of Cuttack Sadar P.S. Case No.745 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 115(2)/ 126(2)/ 296/ 3(5)/ 303(2)/ 351(3) of BNS.

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

6. Taking into account the nature of allegations and the punishment prescribed, it is directed that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioners shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper subject to verification of criminal antecedents of similar nature.

7. If it comes to fore that the Petitioners have criminal antecedents of similar nature, this order shall not be given effect to.

8. It is stated at the bar that Petitioner No.4 is cited as an accused in three cases and on instructions, it is stated that none of those cases relates to any accusation of similar nature.

9. If the above submission in respect of Petitioner No.4 is found to be incorrect, this order, in respect of the said Petitioner, shall not be given effect to.

10. It is needless to state that the Petitioners shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

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

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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