IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 13049 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010887242026

Natu Das @ Susant Das .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. A.R. Panda, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. C.R. Swain, AGA

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

16.11.2026

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

2. The Petitioner is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.1065 of 2026 pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C. Basta, arising out of Baliapal P.S. Case No.398 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Section 115(2)/ 126(2)/ 296/ 3(5)/ 304(2)/ 351(2) of BNS.

3. This is the second journey of the Petitioner to this Court. Earlier the Petitioner was before this Court in ABLAPL No.12292 of 2026 and by order dated 28.10.2026 this Court had directed the Petitioner to be released on bail on surrendering subject to verification of antecedents.

4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that inadvertently, it could not be brought to the notice of

this Court that the Petitioner is cited as an accused in the following three cases;

i. Balipal P.S. Case No.86 of 2014, U/s.294/323/506/34 of IPC
ii. Balipal P.S. Case No.113 of 2018, U/s.294/323/341/506/34 of IPC read with Section 3 of SC & AT (P.A.) Act
iii. Baliapal P.S. Case No.205 of 2020 U/s.294/323/341/353/34 of IPC

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

6. Considering the rival submissions, this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail. However, Petitioner may surrender before the learned J.M.F.C. Basta 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. Basta 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. Basta, the Petitioner are at liberty to move the higher forum for bail in the second hour on the same day.

7. 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 and learned J.M.F.C. Basta 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.

8. The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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