IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
ABLAPL No.13117 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010891792026

1. Sudam@Sudam Kumar Pani ….
2. Balabhadra Pani
3. Sanjeev@Sanjib Panda ***Petitioners***

Mr. B.S. Rayaguru, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

17.11.2026

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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 Special Case No.377 of 2026 pending on the file of learned Special Court under SC & ST (PoA) Act, Balasore**,** arising out of Simulia P.S. CaseNo.408 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 115(2)/ 126(2)/ 296/ 3(5)/ 324(2) of the BNS r/w. Sections 3(1)(r)/ 3(1)(s)/ 3(2)(va) of the SC & ST (PoA) Act.

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

4. In the light of the order passed by this Court in the case of ***Pramod Kumar Ray and others***

Vrs. State of Odisha, ***(2017) 67 OCR 309***, this ABLAPL is disposed of with the following directions.

The Petitioners shall surrender before the learned Court in seisin in the aforesaid case within three weeks from today. Seven days before the surrender of the Petitioners before the said Court, the Petitioners or his counsel shall serve a copy of the bail application or such number of copies of the bail application on the learned Public Prosecutor/Special Public Prosecutor, as required by him, for the purpose of notice to the Victim and/or Informant.

5. Taking into consideration the nature of the offence as alleged against the Petitioners, it is directed that they shall be released on **interim bail** by the learned Court in seisin, on the same day their surrender in the aforesaid case, pending disposal of the bail application on merit, on such terms and conditions as deemed just and proper including the following conditions:-

I) The Petitioners shall appear before the I.O. once in a week on the date and time fixed by the said I.O. until further order by the learned Court in seisin;

II) The Petitioners shall not threaten, induce or coerce any witnesses of this case or the Victim; and

III) The Petitioners shall not involve themselves in similar or any other offence during currency of this order.

6. Within two weeks of appearance of the Victim and/or Informant, the matter shall be considered and disposed of on its own merits.

7. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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