IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 13227 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010898672026

1. Kalia @ Susanta Sing .... ***Petitioners***
2. Babu Narayan Majhi @ Babu

Mr. J. K. Majhi, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

ABLAPL No. 13252 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010898912026

Papun @ Pritam Biswal .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. J. K. Majhi, Advocate

-versus-

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

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
25.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Since both the ABLAPLs relate to the same FIR, they are taken up together and disposed of by this common order.

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

3. The Petitioners are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.T. Case No.617 of 2026 pending on the file of learned SDJM, Nilagiri, arising out of Nilagiri P.S. Case No.500 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Sections 126(2), 303(2), 296, 115(2), 117(2) 351(2) and 3(5) of BNS, 2023.

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

5. Taking into account the nature of allegations and the punishment prescribed, this Court directs that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioners (Kalia @ Susanta Sing and Babu Narayan Majhi @ Babu respectively) in ABLAPL No.13227 of 2026 shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper subject to verification of not more than one criminal antecedent of any nature.

6. If it comes to the fore that the Petitioners have more than one criminal antecedent of any nature, this order shall not be given effect to.

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

8. So far as the Petitioner (Papun @ Pritam Biswal) in ABLAPL No.13252 of 2026 is concerned, taking into account the nature of allegations and keeping in view

the criminal proclivity of the said Petitioner, this Court is not inclined to entertain the application for pre-arrest bail. However, the said Petitioner may surrender before the learned SDJM, Nilagiri 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, Nilagiri on merits, in the first hour of the day.

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

9. On being so moved, the higher forum is requested to make an endeavor to dispose of the bail application of the said 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 said Petitioner and learned SDJM, Nilagiri is called upon to transmit the case record to the higher forum at the earliest in the event of rejection of such bail application.

10. Accordingly, the ABLAPLs stand disposed of.

U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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