IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.13314 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010899652026

Susanta Mohapatra …. ***Petitioner***

Mr. R. Mahalik, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha (E.O.W) …. ***Opposite Party***

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

25.11.2026

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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.1789 of 2018 pending on the file of learned S.D.J.M, Bhubaneswar, arising out of Bhubaneswar P.S. Case No.10 of 2018 for commission of offences punishable under Section 419/ 120-B/ 420/ 467/ 468/ 471/ 472.

3. The allegations against the principal accused is one Maitri Mishra, who had avail the vehicle loans by submitting fake documents.

So far as the complicity of the present Petitioner is concerned, it is submitted that the aforesaid amount was transferred to his account from the account of the principal accused.

4. It is asserted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that he is at all fours with the co-accused, who have since been released on bail by a series of orders of this Court. Hence, on the ground of parity, the Petitioner seeks release since he has no criminal proclivity.

5. Learned counsel for the State, on instruction, submits that, inter alia, that the money has been trail to the account of the present Petitioner. Hence, he cannot be said to be similarly circumstanced.

6. It is further stated by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that since the charge sheet in the meanwhile has been filed, custodial interrogation of the Petitioner is not warranted.

7. Learned counsel for the State opposes such prayer in view of money trail and submits that taking note of the role ascribed to the Petitioner, it cannot be said that he is similarly circumstanced with the other co-accused.

8. Considering the rival submission, it is directed that on surrendering within three weeks hence and moving for bail, the Petitioner shall be released on bail by the learned Court in seisin on such terms as deemed just and proper subject to verification of criminal antecedent.

9. If it comes to fore that the Petitioner has any criminal antecedent, this order shall not be given effect to.

10. It is further stated that the Petitioner 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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