IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.12631 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010919182026

Sanjay Singh **.....** ***Petitioner***

Represented by Adv. -
Amulya Ratna Panda

-versus-

STATE OF ODISHA **.....** ***Opposite Party***

Represented by Adv.
– Mr. U.C. Jena, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER
26.11.2026

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01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).

2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel appearing for the State-Opposite Party. Perused the materials placed before this Court.

3. The present bail application under Section 483 of B.N.S.S. has been filed by the Petitioner for regular bail in connection with C.T. Case No.1203 of 2026, arising out of Balasore Sadar P.S. Case No.617 of 2026, pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C.(City), Balasore for alleged commission of offence punishable under Sections 305(a) of the BNS.

4. It is stated by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that the Petitioner is languishing in custody since 10.11.2026. He further

submitted that in the meantime the investigation has progressed substantially. He further contended that the Petitioner does not have any criminal antecedent and that he belongs to locality, therefore there is no chance of absconding. Further referring to the allegation made in the FIR, learned counsel for the Petitioner contended that although five accused persons have been named in the FIR, however the name of the Petitioner does not find place in the FIR. He further submitted that on the basis of the confessional statement of the co-accused basing upon which certain recovery have been made, the Petitioner has been implicated in the present case. In such view of the matter, learned counsel for the Petitioner contended that the Petitioner could not have been implicated on the basis of confessional statement of the co-accused which was made before the police. It was also highlighted that stolen articles have been recovered in the meantime. On such ground, learned counsel for the Petitioner prayed for release the Petitioner on bail on any stringent terms and conditions.

5. Learned Additional Standing Counsel on the other hand opposed the bail application of the Petitioner on the ground of gravity and seriousness of the allegation. He further submitted that the investigation is still on, therefore the release the petitioner at this juncture would cause delay in filing of the charge-sheet as well as conclusion of the trial. On such ground, learned counsel for the State prayed for rejection of the bail application.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the respective parties and further taking note of the gravity and seriousness of the allegation and the fact that the Petitioner has not named in the FIR and the Petitioner is having no criminal antecedent, this Court is inclined to

release the Petitioner on bail subject to imposition of stringent conditions.

7. Hence, it is directed that the Petitioner be released on bail in the aforesaid case on furnishing a bail bond of Rs.40,000/- (Rupees Forty thousand) with two solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned court in seisin over the matter. The release of the Petitioner shall also be subject to such other terms and conditions as would be fixed by the court in seisin over the matter. Violation of any condition shall entail cancellation of bail.

8. It is further directed that the bail granted to the Petitioner is subject to the condition that the court below shall verify whether the Petitioner is having any criminal antecedent. In the event it is found that the Petitioner is having any similar criminal antecedent, this bail order shall automatically stand revoked.

9. The BLAPL is, accordingly, disposed of.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

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