IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CRLMP No. 356 of 2026

Ananda Malik ….. ***Petitioner***

Mr. Dillip Kumar Ray, Advocate

-versus-

1. State of Odisha
2. Superintendent of Police, Bhadrak
3. IIC, Bhadrak
4. Silu Malik ….. ***Opposite Parties***
5. Laxmidhar Malik

Mr. Amitabh Pradhan,
Additional Standing Counsel

CORAM:
HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO
ORDER
09.04.2026

Order No. (Through hybrid Mode)
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1. This CRLMP has been filed for a direction to the Opposite Party No.2 to depute another police officer other that Opposite Party No.3 to take action against the Opposite Party No. 4 to 8 and pass an appropriate action against Opposite Party No.4 to 8 as per the FIR No-16 of 2025 and to give police protection to the petitioner as well his wife till the action as per law is taken by the Opposite Party No. 2 & 3 against Opposite Party No.- 4 to 8 and to direct the Opposite Party No. 2 to depute any other person/police to investigate the case as per the FIR lodged against Opposite Party No-4 to 8 on 25.07.2025.

2. Perused the instructions dated 05.04.2026 produced by Mr. A. Pradhan, learned Additional Standing Counsel, where it is stated as follows;

"With reference to the above case and subject, I am humbly to submit the following information to the Hon'ble Court as desire.

Naikanidihi PS case 15/2025. Dtd 22.01.2025. U/s No. 126/2)/296(b)/115(2)/351(3)/3(5) BNS register on the written report of Kamini Malik w/o Markand Malik of Karanjadia, PS-Naikanidihi, Dist-Bhadrak against Nabaghan Malik S/o Lt Baidhar malik and his wife of the said village. Similarly U/s Naikanidihi PS case No. 16. Did 24.01.2025 333/296(b)/115(2)/74/324(4)/351 (3)/3(5) BNS register on the written report of Bharati Malik W/o Ganesh Malik against accused persons Ananda Malik, Alekha Malik and others which revealed due to land dispute. In which case No. 15/2025 has been charge sheeted whereas case No. 16/2025 is pending investigation.

Similarly Naikanidihi PS case No. 19, Dtd 27.01.2025. U/s 126(2)/296(b)/115(2)/74/351(3)/3(5) BNS has been register on the written report of Draupadi Malik W/o Alekha Malik of Karanjadia against Ganesh Malik and others whereas Naikanidihi PS case No. 20. Dtd 27.01.2025 U/s 296(b)/324(4)/115(2)/351(3)/3(5) BNS have been register on the written report of Nabaghan Malik S/o Baidhar Malik of Karanjaadia against Ananda Malik, Natia Malik and others and the said cases are pending investigation.

In Naikanidihi PS case No. 28, Did 02.02.2025. U/s 126(2)/296(b)/115(2)/118(1)/117(2)/109(1)/351(3)/3(5) BNS have been register on the written report of Silu Malik S/o Ganesh Malik of Karanjadia against Dipak Malik, Alok

Malik, Durjyadhan Malik, Chhuta Malik, Natia Malik, Akha Malik, Alekha Malik, Muna Malik, Bhagaban Malik of Karanjadia in which ASI Sunita Hembram was investigating the said case Subsequently Inspr. Rajalaxmi Nayak has taken charge of the investigation. In the said case injured Nabaghan Malik S/o Baidhar Malik has been expired as a result this case turn to a case U/s 126(2)/296(b)/115(2)/118(1)/117(2)/109(1)/351(3)/110/3(5) BNS has been register. In this case accused persons Akhaya Malik, Manua Panchanan Bala and Bibhuti Malik were arreste forwarded to the Hon'ble Court. The other accused persons are to be arre in PS case No. 20/2025 and 28/2025. The accused persons in PS case Ne 20/2025 are also involved in PS case No. 28/2025 with others. The remaining accused persons are to be arrested. The occurrence took place due to chronic land dispute. PS case No. 181/2025 has been register on the compit petition of Ananda Malik (64) S/o Sarbeswar Malik of Karanjadia, PS-Naikanidihi, Dist-Bhadrak who are the supporter of accused persons in PS case No. 28/2025.

So far investigation relating to PS case No. 181/2025 filed by Ananda Malik nobody could have prove the allegation against the accused persons Silu Malik, Laxmidhar Malik Ganesh Malik Iswar Malik and Mithun Malik of Karanjadia but it is a fact that the house of Ananda Malik has been burnt on 16.03.2025.

After the incident on 02.02.2025 relating to PS case No. 28/2025 the accused persons which turn to murder case the accused persons including the petitioner Ananda Malik and

others have fled away leaving the house apprehending the police arrest to them. However PS Naikanidihi PS case No. 181/2025 is pending for investigation. In spite of repeated direction and spot visit the compit Ananda Malik could not turn up before Police for his examination nor produced any witnesses related to the incident before Police. Besides the petitioner Ananda Malik is not remaining present at village Karanjadia. His where about is not known.

This is for favor of your kind information."

3. From the instructions it is apparent that investigation in PS Case No. 16,19,20,28 and 181 of 2025 are in progress. The petitioner is an accused in some of the cases. I do not consider it proper to issue any direction to the Opposite Parties at this stage to grant him police protection. But it is expected that investigation in accordance with law is conducted and completed expeditiously.

4. As it is stated by the IIC that the house of the petitioner has been burnt on 16.03.2025 but the petitioner is not coming to the police station or producing any witnesses in support of his case, it is open to the petitioner to appear in the police station along with his witnesses for the purpose of investigation in PS Case No. 181 of 2025.

5. With the observations and directions, the CRLMP is disposed of.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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