



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**ABLAPL No.5467 of 2024**

***Pravakar Pradhan*** .... ***Petitioner***

*Mr. Padmanava Jena, Advocate*

*-versus-*

***State of Odisha*** .... ***Opp. Party***

*Mr. Arupananda Das*  
*Addl. Govt. Advocate*

**CORAM:**  
**JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO**

**Order No.** **ORDER**  
**30.05.2024**

01. This matter is taken up through Hybrid arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

This is an application under section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in connection with G.R. Case No.320 of 2024 arising out of Kandarpur P.S. Case No.49 of 2024 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C.-II (Cog. Taking), Cuttack for alleged commission of offences under sections 294/323/ 341/420/466/467/468/471/506 of the Indian Penal Code.

Perused the F.I.R. annexed to the anticipatory bail application.



Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the case arises out of a complaint petition which was forwarded under section 156(3) of Cr.P.C. to Kandarpur police station and accordingly, the case was registered. Learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner has also filed a complaint case against the complainant/informant Manas Ranjan Behera in the Court of learned J.M.F.C.-II (Cog. Taking), Cuttack which was registered as 1 C.C. Case No.42 of 2024. Learned counsel supplied the copy of the complaint petition, which is taken on record. Learned counsel further submitted that the nature of dispute between the parties is civil in nature which has been given a colour of criminal case and the offences are triable by Magistrate and therefore, the anticipatory bail application of the petitioner may be favourably considered.

Learned counsel for the State opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties, the nature of accusation against the petitioner and the fact that the offences are triable by Magistrate, I am inclined to release the petitioner on anticipatory bail and accordingly, this Court directs that in the event of arrest of the petitioner in connection with the aforesaid case, he shall be released on bail on



furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (rupees ten thousand) with two sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the arresting officer with further conditions that he shall make himself available for interrogation by the I.O. as and when required and he shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to the Investigating Officer.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall entail cancellation of bail.

The ABLAPL is accordingly disposed of.

Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

***S.K. Sahoo, J.***  
***(Vacation Judge)***

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