



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
BLAPL No.5764 of 2026
CNR No. ODHCO10421482026

Lalit Kumar Barik

... ***Petitioner***
Mr. S. Dwibedi, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

... ***Opposite Party***
Mr. M.R. Patra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY
ORDER(ORAL): 31.07.2026

Order No.

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1. This is a bail application U/S.483 of the BNSS by the petitioner for grant of bail in connection with Bisoi PS Case No. 232 of 2025 corresponding to CT Case No. 1574 of 2025 pending in the Court of learned SDJM, Rairangpur for commission of offences punishable U/Ss.318(4)/336(3)/340(2)/316(5) of BNS, on the main allegation of misappropriating a sum of Rs. 15,65,944/- of the Odisha State Road Transport Corporation(OSRTC) by collecting the same from the Conductors of the Buses and not depositing the same.

2. Heard, Mr. Suryakanta Dwibedi, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. M.R. Patra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor in the matter and perused the record.

3. After having considered the rival submissions and taking into consideration the nature and gravity of the offences as alleged against the petitioner vis-à-vis the accusations sought to be brought against him and regard being had to the pre trial detention of the petitioner in custody since 05.01.2026 with submission of charge sheet in the meantime and there being no criminal



antecedent reported against the Petitioner and taking into account the other circumstances on record in entirety including the inherent right of the accused-Petitioner to be presumed innocent until proven guilty at the trial and applying the law laid down by the Apex Court in ***Satender Kumar Antil Vrs. Central Bureau of Investigation; (2022) 10 SCC 51***, this Court without expressing any view on merit admits the petitioner to bail.

4. Hence, the bail application of the petitioner stands allowed and he is allowed to go on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) with two solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Court in seisin of the case on such terms and conditions as deem fit and proper by it.

5. Accordingly, the BLAPL stands disposed of. Issue urgent certified copy of the order as per Rules. A soft copy of this order be immediately communicated to the concerned Court, who shall afterwards communicate the same to the concerned Jail through e-mail for reference.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge