



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 9317 of 2026
CNR No. ODHCO10591662026

Dukhisyam Mahapatra* *Petitioner

Mr. B.K. Ragada, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha* *Opposite Parties

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

14.08.2026

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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 G.R. Case No.5336 of 2022 pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C.-I (C.T.), Sambalpur arising out of Burla P.S. Case No.397 of 2022 for commission of offences punishable under Section 420/468/471/120-B of IPC.
3. The allegation against the Petitioner, proprietor of one Ganapati Agro is that he has connived with the co-accused in obtaining a loan for purchase of Power Tiller from said Ganapati Agro.
4. It is the case of the prosecution that such Power Tiller was never sold from the Ganapati Agro against which the loan was sanctioned.



5. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner does not have any criminal proclivity.

6. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail during currency of investigation.

7. Taking into account the nature of allegation, this Court is persuaded to hold that custodial interrogation for the Petitioner is not warranted.

Hence, this Court directs 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 of similar nature.

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

9. It is needless to state that the Petitioner shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation.

10. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of.

11. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

Santoshi