IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.1495 of 2022

Pabitra Patra

Petitioner

Mr. B. Tripathy, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

Opp. Party

Mr. J.P. Patra, Addl. Standing Counsel

CORAM: JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

> ORDER 22.02.2022

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This matter is taken up through Hybric 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 Chandrasekharpur P.S. Case No.52 of 2022 pending in the Court of learned S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar for alleged commission of offence under section 420/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Perused the F.I.R.

Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is the Sarpanch and due to political dispute, the case has been filed and the money is alleged to have been handed over to the co-accused Prasant Kumar Bagh and on hearing the

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learned counsel for the State, 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.

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ORISS (S.K. Sahoo)
Judge