

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.3115 of 2021

Pramod Kumar Panigrahi* *Petitioner

Mr.A.K. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha* *Opp. Party

*Mrs. Susamarani Sahoo,
Addl. Standing Counsel*

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

ORDER

30.03.2022

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an Advocate of Digapahandi Bar Association and he was enrolled as an Advocate in the year 1996 and in his house, one 'Be One Construction Labour Association' was functioning and the entire allegation as per the F.I.R., is against the co-accused persons, namely, Kanhu Bisoi and Bikas Pradhan and even though no case has been registered against the petitioner but the police is trying to arrest him in connection with this case.

Learned counsel for the State has received instruction in the matter and submitted that the interrogation of the petitioner is very much necessary.

In view of such submission, let the petitioner appear before the Investigating Officer on 6th April 2022 and

cooperate with the investigation and he shall also continue to appear before the Investigating Officer as and when required and to that effect a written notice in advance shall be given to the petitioner.

List this matter in the week commencing from 18th April 2022.

Learned counsel for the State shall obtain instruction as to whether the petitioner appeared before the Investigating Officer on the date fixed and whether he cooperated with the investigation or not and also obtain instruction about the result of such interrogation by the next date. Learned counsel for the State shall also ascertain how much money has been collected from different persons in the name of making labour card and also about the status of the two F.I.R. named co-accused persons.

Till the next date, the petitioner shall not be arrested in connection with Digapahandi P.S. Case No.41 of 2021 corresponding to G.R. Case No.54 of 2021 pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C., Digapahandi.

Issue urgent certified copy as per Rules.

Let a copy of the order be handed over to the learned counsel for the State.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

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