

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK BLAPL No.514 of 2025

Tuna Das .... Petitioner

Mr. A. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha

Opposite Party

Mr. S.N. Das, Advocate

## CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH ORDER 04.02.2025

## Order No.

- **01.** 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
  - 2. The Petitioner is an accused in connection with G.R. Case No.597 of 2024, pending in the Court of learned J.M.F.C., Umerkote, arising out of **Umerkote**P.S Case No.404, dated 12.11.2024, for commission of alleged offences under Section 331(4) and 305(a) read with section 3(5) of the BNS.
  - 3. Learned counsel, on instruction, submits that except the present BLAPL, no other bail application of the Petitioner relating to the aforementioned P.S. Case is pending in any other Court.
  - 4. Being aggrieved by the rejection of his application for bail U/s.483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) by the learned Addl. Dist. &



Sessions Judge, Umerkote by order dated 13.12.2024, the present BLAPL has been filed.

- 5. It is submitted by the learned counsel that the Petitioner is in custody since 16.11.2024 and as investigation has progressed substantially, he may be released on bail.
- 6. It is further submitted by the learned counsel that the co-accused persons have since been released on bail by orders dated 10.12.2024 and 29.01.2024 passed by this Court in BLAPL Nos.12248 of 2024 and 13123 of 2024 respectively. Hence, the Petitioner seeks release on the ground of parity.
- 7. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for bail.
- 8. Taking into account the nature of allegations and release of the co-accused, this Court directs the Petitioner to be released on bail on such terms to be fixed by the learned Court in seisin.
- 9. Additionally, it is directed that the Petitioner shall appear before the jurisdictional police station once every month on such date and time to be fixed by the learned Court in seisin till the submission of final form. Certification of such appearance shall be submitted to the Court in seisin.



- Accordingly, all the BLAPL stands disposed of. 10.
- Urgent certified copy of this order be granted 11. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH) Judge

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