IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No. 10311 of 2026

CNR No. ODHC010677842026

Manmohan Sahoo @ Manamohan Sahu .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. J. Sahoo, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

10.09.2026

Order No.

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.516 of 2026, pending on the file of learned J.M.F.C., Chilika arising out of Balugaon P.S. Case No.355 of 2026 for commission of offences punishable under Section 305(e) of BNS, 2023 read with Section 51(1) of Odisha Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016.

3. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for pre-arrest bail.

4. Taking into account the nature of allegations and the submissions made, it is directed 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.

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

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

7. Accordingly, the ABLAPL stands disposed of. U.C.C. as per rules.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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