

Police Head Quarters,
Press Note

Ganjam Police Bust Illegal Money Lending Racket; One Arrested, Assets Seized

27.06.2026 Ganjam Police have cracked down on an illegal money lending operation in the Aska Police Station area, arresting Laxman Kumar Pani (56) of Mamudiha village.

Pani had been preying on local residents for years — collecting their vehicles, phones, and identity documents as collateral for unlicensed loans. He now faces charges under Sections 316(2), 318(4), and 308(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), registered as Aska P.S. Case No. 339 dated 26.06.2026.

Police recovered the following items that borrowers had handed over as security:

- 17 motorcycles
- 18 mobile phones
- ₹31,000 in cash
- 15 driving licences
- 15 ATM cards
- One diary containing lending records

Pani has been produced before the Hon'ble Court.

Ganjam Police made clear that those who exploit financially vulnerable people through illegal lending will face the full force of the law. Anyone with information about such activities is encouraged to contact their nearest police station.

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PRO