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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 6069 of 2026

Pramod Dewangan S/o Ganesh Dewangan Aged About 32 Years R/o Village
Jamaruva, Tahsil And District- Balod (C.G.) **...Applicant**

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Station House Officer, Police Of Police
Station Balod, District- Balod (C.G.) **... Non-applicant**

For Applicant	: Mr. Shikhar Sharma, Advocate.
For Non-applicant/State	: Ms. Monika Thakur, Panel Lawyer.

Hon'ble Shri Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

Order on Board

06.08.2026

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 483 of the Bhartiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the
applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No.
214/2026, registered at Police Station - Balod, District- Balod (C.G.)
for the offence punishable under Section 296, 251(3), 115(2), 331(6),
109 of the BNS.
2. The prosecution case, in brief, is that on 04-04-2026 at about 7.00

PM, when the complainant/injured was sitting along with his wife on bed in his house, at that time the present applicant came inside by pushing the door and after abusing the complainant attacked both of them by knife, cause of which the complainant sustained severe injuries and in respect of the incident, the FIR has been registered against the applicant.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the applicant submits that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is submitted that the applicant did not assault the complainant with any intention to cause her death and that the allegations against him are false. The injured complainant is the applicant's own mother and there was no motive or reason for the applicant to attack her. It is further submitted that the injuries sustained by the complainant are simple in nature and not grievous, and that she had also sustained injuries at the same place about a year prior to the present incident. The applicant has been in custody since 05.05.2026 and the trial is likely to take considerable time for its conclusion. Therefore, considering the nature of the injuries and the period of detention, learned counsel prays that the applicant may kindly be enlarged on regular bail.
4. On the other hand, learned State Counsel opposes the bail application and submits that the charge-sheet has already been filed before the competent Court. It is further submitted that the complainant sustained grievous injuries in the alleged incident and that the allegations against the present applicant is serious in nature. Therefore, considering the nature of the offence, the grievous injuries sustained by the complainant and the material collected during investigation, the

applicant is not entitled to the relief of bail.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the case-diary.
6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature and gravity of the offence levelled against the present applicant, as well as the fact that the charge-sheet has already been filed before the competent Court, and that the applicant has been in judicial custody since 05.05.2026, and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some more time, this Court is of the considered view that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in the present case.
7. Let applicant, **Pramod Dewangan**, involved in Crime No. 214/2026, registered at Police Station - Balod, District- Balod (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Section 296, 251(3), 115(2), 331(6), 109 of the BNS, be released on bail on furnishing **personal bond** with **two local sureties** in the like sum to the satisfaction of the court concerned with the following conditions:-

(i) The applicant shall file an undertaking to the effect that he shall not seek any adjournment on the dates fixed for evidence when the witnesses are present in court. In case of default of this condition, it shall be open for the trial court to treat it as abuse of liberty of bail and pass orders in accordance with law.

(ii) The applicant shall remain present before the trial court on each date fixed, either personally or through his counsel. In case of his absence, without sufficient cause, the trial court may proceed against him under Section 269 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

(iii) In case, the applicant misuses the liberty of bail during trial and in order to secure his presence, proclamation under Section 84 of BNSS. is issued and the applicant fails to appear before the court on the date fixed in such proclamation, then, the trial court shall initiate proceedings against him, in accordance with law, under Section 209 of the Bharatiya Nyaya

Sanhita.

(iv) The applicant shall remain present, in person, before the trial court on the dates fixed for (i) opening of the case, (ii) framing of charge and (iii) recording of statement under Section 351 of BNSS. If in the opinion of the trial court absence of the applicant is deliberate or without sufficient cause, then it shall be open for the trial court to treat such default as abuse of liberty of bail and proceed against him in accordance with law.

8. However, this Court hopes and trusts that the trial Court shall make an earnest endeavor to conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible within a period of **six months** from the receipt of a certified copy of this order in accordance with law, if there is no legal impediment.
9. Office is directed to send a certified copy of this order to the trial Court concerned for necessary information and compliance forthwith.

Sd/-

(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice