

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

MCRC No. 5887 of 2015

- Khubchand Bharti, son of Pannalal Bharti, aged about 25 years, Resident of Village Kokadi, Police Station Bhimkhoj, Tah./District Mahasamund (C.G).

---- Applicant

Versus

- State of Chhattisgarh through the Station House Officer, Police Station Bhimkhoj, District Mahasamund, Chhattisgarh. – **Respondent**

For the applicant	:	Mr. Vikash Pradhan, Advocate
For the Respondent	:	Mr. Ashok Swarnkar, Panel Lawyer.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Goutam Bhaduri

Order on Board

04.11.2015

1. This is an application filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking grant of regular bail to the applicant in connection with Crime No. 153/2015 registered at P.S. Bhimkhoj, Distt. Mahasamund (C.G) for the offence punishable under Sections 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act.
2. The prosecution alleges that when the raid/inspection was conducted by the police, 26.460 bulk litres of illicit liquor was seized from the possession of this applicant.
3. Learned State Counsel opposes the bail application. However, he submits that concerned SHO has reported that the applicant has no previous criminal antecedents.
4. Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances and the fact that the quantity of seized liquor is 26.460 bulk litres; offence is triable by the JMFC and the applicant is in jail since 16.09.2015, this Court is inclined to release him on bail. Accordingly, this application is allowed.

5. The applicant is directed to be released on bail on his executing a personal bond in sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court . He is directed to appear before the said Court on each and every date given by the said Court.
6. It is made clear that if the applicant is found to be involved in similar offence again, this order granting bail to the applicant shall automatically stand cancelled without reference to the Court and the concerned police shall be at liberty to re-arrest the applicant in this case also, after informing the concerned Judicial Magistrate where the trial is pending.
7. C.c. as per rules.

**Sd/-
GOUTAM BHADURI
JUDGE**

Rao