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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**M.Cr.C. No. 1305 of 2016**

Bhagwani Bharti S/o Shri Maakhan Lal Bharti aged about 40 years R/o village Hasda Tehsil Abhanpur District Raipur C.G.

---Applicant**Versus**

State of Chhattisgarh through the Police Station Abhanpur District Raipur C.G.

---Non-applicant

For Applicant	:	Mr. Raza Ali, Advocate
For Non-applicant	:	Mr. Aditya Sharma, P.L.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal**Order on Board****28/03/2016**

1. This is an application filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the applicant, who has been arrested in connection with **crime No.24/2016** registered at Police Station Abhanpur District Raipur **(C.G.)**, for the offence punishable **under Section 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act.**

2. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that, 5.940 **bulk** liters of illicit liquor was seized by the police from the present

applicant.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that in a criminal case No. 149/2014, he has been acquitted on 03/03/2015. He further submits that the applicant is in custody from 03/02/2016. He further submits that the applicant has falsely been implicated in the case, and therefore, the applicant may be released on bail.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State opposes the bail application.

5. I have heard counsel appearing for the parties and perused the case diary.

6. Taking into consideration the condition incorporated in Section 59-A(ii) of the C.G. Excise Act, 1915, and bearing in mind the principles of law laid down in **Banti Singh v. State of Chhattisgarh** (M.Cr.C. No.6846 of 2014, decided on 05.01.2015), if the facts of present case are examined, it is apparent that only 5.940 bulk liters of illicit liquor has been seized from him which is more than prescribed limit of 5 bulk liters, and he is in custody from 03/02/2016 and case is triable by the Judicial Magistrate First Class and trial is likely to take some more time and further taking into account the nature

and gravity of offence and plea raised by the applicant that he has falsely been implicated in case, I am of the opinion that present is the fit case, in which, the applicant should be enlarged on regular bail.

7. Accordingly, the bail application filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. is allowed. It is directed that on furnishing a personal bond in the sum of **Rs.25,000/-** with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned Court for his appearance as and when directed, the applicant shall be released on bail, subject to following conditions:

- That, the applicant shall furnish a specific undertaking that while on bail, he will not commit any excise offence, otherwise bail granted to him shall be liable to be cancelled and shall co-operate the prosecution during trial.
- That, the accused/applicant shall make himself available for interrogation before the concerned Investigating Officer as and when required and the accused/applicant shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him/her from

disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer.

- That, the accused/applicant shall not act, in any manner, which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial.

8. Certified copy as per rules.

Sd/-

(Sanjay K. Agrawal)
JUDGE

Tiwari