

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

MCRC No. 3369 of 2016

1. Lakki, S/o. Dayashankar Rajput, Aged About 26 Years, R/o. Village Nagri Sihava, Dhamtari Road, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
2. Bhupendra Kumar Prajapati, S/o. Madanlal Prajapati, Aged About 30 Years, R/o. Village Sandi, Mandir Hasaud, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
3. Lakhan Singh, S/o. Vishram Singh Banjare, Aged About 30 Years, R/o. Village Bhansoj, Post/ Thana- Aarang, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

---- Applicants

Versus

State Of Chhattisgarh, Through Police Station Berla, District Bemetara, Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For Applicant : Mr. Samir Singh, Advocate

For Respondent : Ms. Shobha Kashyap, Govt. Advocate

Hon'ble Shri Justice Goutam Bhaduri

Order On Board

07/07/2016

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the applicants who have been arrested in connection with Crime No.121/2016 registered at Police Station- Berla, District Bemetara (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Section 34(2) of the Excise Act.
2. The prosecution alleges that the applicants were jointly found to be in possession of illicit liquor measuring about 81 bulk liters and they were arrested on 25.05.2016.

3. Learned counsel for the applicants submits that the applicants have falsely been implicated in this case and they are in jail since 25.05.2016; therefore, they may be released on bail.
4. Per contra, learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of bail, however, she would submit that as per the information received from the concerned SHO, the applicants have no previous antecedents of similar offence.
5. Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances and the fact that the quantity of seized liquor is 81 bulk liters, offence is triable by the JMFC and the applicants are in jail since 25.05.2016, this Court is inclined to release the applicants on bail.
6. Accordingly, the bail application filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. is allowed.
7. It is directed that the applicants shall be released on bail on furnishing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety each in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court, for their appearance as and when directed.

Sd/-
(Goutam Bhaduri)
Judge