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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**Misc. Criminal Case No.4042 of 2017**

- Geetaram Sahu S/o Gopal Aged About 62 Years R/o Village Santpali, Police Station Saraipali, District Mahasamund, Chhattisgarh.

---- Applicant**Versus**

- State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Station House Officer, Police Station Saraipali, District Mahasamund, Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For Applicant : Shri Gurudev I Sharan, Advocate
 For Respondent/State : Shri Wasim Miyan, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Chandra Bhushan Bajpai**Order On Board****17.7.2017**

Heard the matter finally.

2. 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.95/2017 registered in Police Station Saraipali, Distt. Mahasamund (CG) for the offence punishable under Section 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act, 1915.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant has been arrested on 28.3.2017, after investigation, concerned police has filed charge sheet, which is pending before Chief Judicial Magistrate, Mahasamund as Criminal Case No.1056/17. As per the allegation, 27 bulk liters of country made liquor has been seized from the possession of the applicant. The applicant

is the first offender, he will not commit any offence in future, the trial may take sometime for its conclusion, hence he may be granted bail.

4. Per contra, learned counsel for the State opposes the arguments advanced on behalf of the applicant on the basis of the quantity of liquor so seized from the applicant but fairly submits that there is no criminal antecedent reported against the applicant.

5. Perused the entire material.

6. The applicant is in custody for three months and nineteen days, charge sheet has been filed, he is the first offender, the trial may take sometime for its conclusion, though the quantity of liquor so seized is on higher side but considering the entire facts, I am inclined to grant bail to the applicant.

7. Accordingly, the bail application filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. is allowed.

8. It is directed that the applicant shall be released on bail on furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs.50,000/- with two separate solvent sureties of Rs.25,000/- to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Judge for his appearance before the said Court as and when directed.

9. It is made clear that this order granting bail to the applicant shall stand cancelled automatically without reference to the Bench by the Court below if (i) the trial Court finds that the applicant suppressed filing or pendency of any other application for grant of bail before this Court or the Hon'ble Apex Court intentionally; (ii)

the applicant does not cooperate in the trial; (iii) the applicant is found to be involved in any offence of the like nature; and (iv) the trial Court finds that the applicant remains absent without any sufficient and cogent reason. If bail is cancelled automatically in view of the above, the Court below may proceed further under the provisions of law, under intimation.

Certified copy as per rules

Sd/-

(Chandra Bhushan Bajpai)

JUDGE