

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**M.CR.C. No. 3494 of 2018**

Vijay Bajaj, S/o. Arjun Das Bajaj, Aged About 40 Years, R/o.- Sindhi Colony,
Bilaspur, Tahsil and District- Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

---- Applicant

Versus

State Of Chhattisgarh, Through- Station House Officer, Police Station- City
Kotwali, Bilaspur, District- Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

----- Respondent

For Applicant : Mr. Ashish Gupta, Advocate
For Respondent : Mr. Vinod Tekam, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant

Order On Board

16/05/2018

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No.203/2018, registered at Police Station- City Kotwali, Bilaspur, District – Bilaspur (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Section 34 (1) (A), 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act.
2. The prosecution alleges that the applicant was found to be in possession of illicit liquor measuring about 6.300 bulk liters and he was arrested on 03.05.2018.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant has falsely been implicated in this case and he is in jail since 03.05.2018; therefore, he may be released on bail.

4. Learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of bail, however, he would submit that as per the information received from the concerned SHO, one previous case under the provisions of Gambling Act is registered against the applicant, hence, he is not entitled for grant of bail.
5. Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances and the fact that the quantity of seized liquor is 6.300 bulk liters; offence is triable by the JMFC and the applicant is in jail since 03.05.2018, this Court is inclined to release the applicant on bail.
6. Accordingly, the bail application filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. is allowed.
7. It is directed that the applicant shall be released on bail on furnishing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court, for his appearance as and when directed.

Certified as per rules.

Sd/-
(Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant)
Judge