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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**MCRC No. 5832 of 2019**

- Sunil Kumar Yadu @ Sunil Yadav, S/o Ravindra Yadu, aged about 32 years, R/o Gadadeeh, Bazar Chowk, Police Station Utai, District Durg (C.G.)

---- Applicant**Versus**

- State of Chhattisgarh Through : The Station House Officer, Police Station Utai, District Durg (C.G.)

---- Respondent

For Applicant	:	Shri Punit Ruparel, Advocate
For Respondent	:	Ms. Reena Singh, P.L.

Hon'ble Smt Justice Rajani Dubey**Order on Board****11/11/2019**

1. The applicant has preferred this first bail application under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail as he is arrested in connection with Crime No.242/2019, registered at Police Station – Utai, District Durg (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 294, 506, 186, 386, 353 of IPC (Section 386 of IPC as per rejection order and Section 353 of IPC as per charge sheet) and Section 3 (1) (s) of SC/ST Act.
2. The prosecution story, in brief, is that the applicant being a journalist of Live Today Channel, went to village Panchayat Marra for recording the coverage of renewal of ration card where some dispute cropped up between village panchayat of village Marra and Revli on account of demanding Rs.500/-.

Based on this report, offence has been registered. Present applicant has been taken into custody on 21.07.2019.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the case. He further submits that the complainant himself has turned hostile and has not supported the case of the prosecution. He also submits that the applicant is in custody since 21.07.2019, charge sheet has been filed and there is no likelihood of his case being decided in near future. Therefore, he may be released on bail.
4. On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the bail application.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.
6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and further considering the fact that the applicant is in custody since 21.07.2019 and the trial is likely to take some time, without further commenting on merits of the case, I am inclined to release him on bail.
7. Accordingly, the bail application is allowed.
8. It is directed that the Applicant shall be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- with one solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court for his appearance before the said Court as and when directed.

Sd/-

(Rajani Dubey)
Judge