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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**M.Cr.C. No. 2425 of 2020**

Basant Ratre S/o Palu Ratre Aged About 30 Years R/o Village Dhanagar,
Police Station- Kotra Road, District- Raigarh, Chhattisgarh.

---- Applicant**Versus**

State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Station House Officer, P.S. Kotra Road,
District- Raigarh, Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For the Applicant	:	Shri Prabhat Kumar Saxena, Advocate.
For the Respondent/State	:	Shri Mateen Siddiqui, Dy. G.A.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant**ORDER****06.05.2020**

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No.61 of 2020, registered at Police Station Kotra Road, District – Raigarh, Chhattisgarh for the offence punishable under Section 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 5 bulk liters and he was arrested on 14.4.2020.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant is in jail since 14.4.2020 and the applicant has been falsely implicated in this case; therefore, he may be released on bail.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer for grant of bail.

5. Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances and the fact that the quantity of seized liquor is 5 bulk liters; offence is triable by the JMFC and the applicant is in jail since 14.4.2020, this Court is inclined to release the applicant on bail.

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

7. It is directed that the applicant shall be released on bail 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 trial Court, for his appearance as and when directed. In case any default is committed by the applicant/s in appearing before the concerned trial Court, this order granting bail shall stand cancelled automatically.

Sd/-

(Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant)
Judge