

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

MCRC No. 2571 of 2020

- Surendra Kumar, Son of Parasram Dhruv, Aged about 41 years,
R/o. Village Khairi, PS Bhatapara (Gramin) District Baloda
Bazar-Bhatapara (CG)

---- Applicant

Versus

- State Of Chhattisgarh Through Station House Officer, Police
Station- City Kotwali, District- Baloda Bazar-Bhatapara
Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For Applicant	: Shri C.R.Sahu, Advocate
For Respondent/State	: Shri Dinesh Tiwari, Dy.GA

Hon'ble Smt. Justice Rajani Dubey

Order On Board

29/05/2020

The applicant has filed this application under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail as he is in custody in connection with Crime No. 242/2019 registered at police station City Kotwali, District Baloda Bazar-Bhatapara (CG) for the offence punishable under Sections 420 IPC and Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act.

As per prosecution case, report was lodged by the complainant alleging that in the year 2012, the applicant who was the Manager of

the Bank named Indian Agriculture Development Multipurpose Sahkari Samiti, Baloda Bazar along with other accused persons had deposited amount of Rs. 3,30,000/- and later on the bank was closed and the cheques issued in the name of the complainant for the said amount was also dishonoured due to insufficient balance.

Counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant has been falsely implicated in the case. He further submits that the applicant is in jail since 17.03.2020 and looking to the conduct of the prosecution it is clear that the trial will take time for its conclusion.

On the other hand counsel for the State opposes the bail application.

Having heard counsel for the parties, considered the totality of the fact, in particular the detention period of the applicant, I am inclined to release him on regular bail. Accordingly, his application filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure is allowed.

It is directed that in the event of the applicant's furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs. 50,000/- with one surety for the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned Court, he shall be released on bail.

It is made clear that if the applicant has already been released on bail pursuant to the bail bonds already furnishing in view of the order passed by the High Power Committee constituted in compliance of the order of the Supreme Court of India dated 23.03.2020 in the matter of **In Re: Contagion of COVID 19 Virus in Prisons** (Suo Moto Writ Petition (C) No. 1/2020), he need not furnish bail bonds afresh and the bail bonds already furnished shall be deemed to be the bail

bonds furnished in compliance of the order of this Court, but if he has not furnished the bail bonds earlier, then he will be required to furnish bail bonds within four weeks' from today.

Sd/-
(Rajani Dubey)
Judge

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