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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**MCRC No. 2570 of 2021**

- Satnam Singh Randhava S/o Balwant Singh, aged about 57 years, R/o F-240 Vikaspuri, New Delhi (India)

---- Applicant**Versus**

- State of Chhattisgarh Through- Station House Officer, Police Station Takhatpur, District Bilaspur (C.G.).

---- Respondent

For Applicant	:	Mr. Shubham Tripathi, Advocate
For Respondent	:	Mr. G.S. Patel, G.A.

Hon'ble Smt Justice Rajani Dubey**Order on Board****31/05/2021**

Proceeding through video conferencing.

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.117/2017, registered at Police Station – Takhatpur, District Bilaspur (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 420, 34 IPC and Sections 4, 5 & 6 of the Chhattisgarh protection of Interest of Depositors Act, 2015.
2. The allegation against the present applicant is that while working as Director of company styled as “G.N. Gold”, he allured the complainant and other naïve villagers with promise to pay hefty interest if they make deposit in the said company. Being tempted, the complainant and other naïve villagers deposited the amount with company but after considerable period the amount was not paid to them. Based on this, after due investigation, offence has been registered against the present applicant. The applicant has been taken into custody on 08.11.2017.

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 applicant was not an agent of the company and neither took any amount from anyone. The applicant has resigned from the post of Director of the Company way back in the year 2009 and, therefore, there is no nexus of the present applicant with the aforesaid crime. He also submits that the applicant has already been released on bail by this Court in connection with Crime No.210/2017 in MCRC No.7303/2020, Crime No.284/2015 in MCRC No.7075/2020 and Crime No.113/2017 in MCRC No.7093/2020 for the same set of allegation. He also submits that the applicant is in custody since 08.11.2017, 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. In compliance to this Court's order dated 26.05.2021, learned State counsel submits that as many as 16 cases of the similar nature have been registered against the present applicant. Learned State counsel submits that as per the document available in the case diary, the applicant is a Director of the company and has close nexus with the crime in question, therefore, bail may not be granted to him.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.
6. Considering the totality of the facts and circumstances of the case, and further considering the fact that the present applicant has already been granted bail by this Court vide order dated 29.01.2021 passed in MCRC No.7303/2020 and 7518/2020, order dated 06.01.2021 passed in MCRC No.7075/2020 and MCRC No.7093/2020 on same set of allegation, I am of the opinion that present is a fit case, in which, the applicant should be enlarged on regular bail.
7. Accordingly, the application is allowed. The applicant is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with one local surety for the

like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned for his appearance before the said Court as and when directed till the disposal of the trial.

8. I.A.No.02/2021, for hearing in summer vacation stands disposed of.

Certified copy, as per rules.

Sd/-

(Rajani Dubey)
Vacation Judge

Pkd