

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**

**MCRC No. 2621 of 2021**

1. Mani Mehar S/o Chainsingh Mehar, Aged About 34 Years, R/o Village Bazaar Atariya, Police Station And Tahsil Khairagarh, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.).

**---- Applicant**

**Versus**

1. State Of Chhattisgarh, Through Station House Officer, Police Station Khairagarh, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.) (Wrongly Mentioned As Excise Circle Khairagarh In The Entire Order Sheet)

**---- Non-Applicant**

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For Applicant : Mr. Abhishek Sharma, Advocate.  
For Non-Applicant/State : Mr. Anand Verma, Dy. Govt. Advocate.

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**Hon'ble Justice Shri Gautam Chourdiya**

**Order on Board**

**08/04/2021**

- 1) The matter is heard through Video Conferencing.
- 2) Heard on admission.
- 3) The application is admitted for hearing.
- 4) With the consent of the parties, the matter is heard finally.
- 5) The applicant has preferred this First Bail Application under Section 439 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 as he is in jail since 25/03/2021 in connection with Crime No. 138/2021 registered at Police Station Khairagarh, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Section 34(2) of Chhattisgarh Excise Act.
- 6) Allegation against the applicant is that he was found in illegal possession of **10.800 bulk** Ltrs. of country made liquor.
- 7) Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant has been falsely implicated in the crime in question. He further

submits that the applicant has been arrested on 25/03/2021, and trial is likely to take some time for its disposal. Therefore, the applicant be released on bail by this Court.

- 8) On the other hand, learned counsel for the respondent/State opposes the bail application. He submits that the applicant has 01 criminal antecedent bearing Crime No. 191/2012 under Section 34(2) of the Excise Act registered at Police Station Khairagarh, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.)
- 9) Having heard learned counsel for the parties, having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, considering the quantity of illicit liquor, the detention period of the applicant who is 34 years old, and the fact that there is no apprehension of the applicant tampering with the evidence or absconding as admitted by both the counsel, applicant has 1 criminal antecedent of Excise Act of the year 2012, and that conclusion of trial may take some time, the application is **allowed**. It is directed that in the event of the applicant executing a personal **bond** for a sum of **Rs. 50,000/-** with two sureties of Rs. 25,000/- each to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court, he shall be released on bail on the following conditions:-
  - i. he shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such fact to the Court,
  - ii. he shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial, and
  - iii. he shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to him by the said Court till disposal of the trial.
  - iv. he shall not involve himself in any offence of similar nature in future.

-Sd/-  
(Gautam Chourdiya)  
Judge