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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**MCRCA No. 658 of 2021**

- Naveen Patel, S/o Shobha Ram Patel, Aged About 21 Years
Occupation Agriculture Labour, R/o Dhangaon, Police Station
And Tahsil Pusour, District Raigarh Chhattisgarh.

---- Petitioner**Versus**

- State Of Chhattisgarh, Through - S H O, Police Station City
Kotwali, District Raigarh Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For Applicant : Mr. Amit Soni, Advocate.
For Respondent. : Mr. B.P. Banjare, Dy. G.A.

Hon'ble Smt. Justice Rajani Dubey**Order on Board****23/06/2021**

Proceeding through video conferencing.

1. This application under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has been filed by the applicant who is apprehending his arrest in connection with Crime No.650/2021 registered at Police Station - City Kotwali, Raigarh (C.G.) for commission of the offence punishable under Section 376 of Indian Penal Code.
2. The prosecution story, in brief, is that the applicant, in the year 2019, committed sexual intercourse with the prosecutrix many times on the pretext of marriage and, thereafter, he refused to marry her. Based on this, offence under Section 376 of IPC has been registered against the applicant.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the crime in

question. He further submits that the prosecutrix is major and married lady and she is the consenting party to the act of the applicant. It is next submitted that the prosecutrix lodged the FIR against the applicant only to harass and to get marry with him. Therefore, the applicant may be granted anticipatory bail.

4. Counsel for the State however opposes the application for anticipatory bail.
5. After hearing counsel for the parties and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, further considering the nature of allegation against the applicant, without commenting anything on merit of the case, this Court is of the considered opinion that it is a fit case to grant anticipatory bail to the applicant.
6. Accordingly, the application is allowed. It is directed that in the event of arrest of the applicant in connection with aforesaid crime number, he shall be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety for the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned arresting/investigating officer or the court concerned, as the case may be, with the following terms and conditions:
 - (i) that the applicant shall make himself available for interrogation/medical examination before the concerned investigating officer as and when required;
 - (ii) that the applicant shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case as to dissuade him/her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

- (iii) that the applicant shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial; and
- (iv) that the applicant shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to him by the said Court till disposal of the trial.

Sd/-

(Rajani Dubey)
Judge

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