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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 7268 of 2026

- Naresh Tandi S/o Raju Tandi Aged About 26 Years R/o Gandhi Nagar, Kalibadi P.S. City Kotwali, Tahsil And District Raipur Chhattisgarh

... Applicant

versus

- State Of Chhattisgarh Through Station House Officer, Police Station City Kotwali, Raipur, District Raipur (C.G.)

... Non-applicant

For Applicant	:	Mr. C.R. Sahu, Advocate
For Non-Applicant	:	Ms. Sameeksha Gupta, P.L.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey

Order on Board

07.10.2026

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 483 of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No. 276/2026 registered at Police Station : City Kotwali, District : Raipur (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Section 6 of Chhattisgarh Gambling (Prohibition) Act, 2022.

2. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that police of Police Station : City Kotwali received secret information from the informant and on the basis of said information, raid was conducted wherein 04 Nos. Satta Patti, 01 dot pen and cash amount of Rs. 1,400/- was seized from the possession of the present applicant. Thereafter, the aforesaid case was registered against the present applicant.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the present applicant has falsely been implicated in this case. He further submits that the applicant has 03 live criminal antecedents under Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, Section 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act, and Section 20(b) of the NDPS Act pertaining to the years 2020 and 2023, and the said antecedents have been duly explained in Part-D (Criminal Antecedents) of the present bail application. He also submits that under Section 6 of the Chhattisgarh Gambling (Prohibition) Act, 2022, for the first offence, the minimum punishment is six months and the maximum punishment is three years. It is further submitted that the present applicant has been in jail since 15.06.2026, and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take a considerable amount of time. Therefore, he prays for the grant of regular bail to the applicant.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State, opposes the bail application and submits that the charge-sheet has been filed in the present case before the competent Court. She also submits that the applicant has 03 live criminal antecedents, therefore he is

not entitled for grant of regular bail in the present case.

5. I have heard learned counsel appearing for the parties and perused the case diary.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, nature and gravity of allegation levelled against the present applicant and the fact that the present applicant has no live criminal antecedent under Chhattisgarh Gambling (Prohibition) Act, 2022 pending against him, moreover, the fact that the charge-sheet has been filed before the competent Court and he is in jail since 15.06.2026, conclusion of the trial may take some more time, this Court is of the view that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in this case.

7. It is directed that in the event of the applicant executing a personal bond for a sum of **Rs. 50,000/-** to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court, he shall be released on bail on the following conditions:-

(a) he shall make himself available for interrogation by the police officer as and when required;

(b)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; and

(c) he shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to a fair and expeditious trial.

The observation made hereinabove is for the purpose of deciding this bail application only, the learned trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits.

Sd/-
(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)
JUDGE

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