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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 7781 of 2026

*** -** Jasmeet Singh S/o- Vikramjeet Singh, Aged About 19 Years (Absconding Wrongly Written) R/o House No. 413, Road No. 1 / A Shanti Nagar, Durg. Police Station - Vaishali Nagar District - Durg (C.G.)

... Applicant

Versus

*** -** State Of Chhattisgarh Through Station House Officer, Police Station - Vaishali Nagar, Bhilai District - Durg (C.G.)

... Non-Applicant

For Applicant	:	Mrs. Fouzia Mirza, Senior Advocate with Mr. Ali Afzaal Mirza, Advocate
For Non-Applicant	:	Mr. Akash Agrawal, Panel Lawyer

Hon’ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey
Order on Board

09/10/2026

1. The applicant has preferred this first bail application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 as he is in jail since 30.06.2026 in connection with Crime No. 151/2024 registered at Police Station- Vaishali Nagar Bhilai, District Durg (C.G.), for commission of offence punishable under Sections 75(1)(ii), 331(3) & 74 of BNS and Sections 9(I) read with Section 10 & 11(iv) read with Section 12 of POCSO Act.

2. As per case of prosecution, on 04.09.2024, the complainant/mother of the victim/prosecutrix lodged a written complaint before Police Station Vaishali Nagar, Supela, Bhilai to the effect that her daughter-victim

aged about 14 years was subjected to sexual harassment by their neighbor i.e. present applicant herein. It is further alleged that the applicant being neighbor of the victim used to visit her house frequently. It is also stated that in the last *Navratri*, when victim was alone in her house, the applicant entered from back door and attempted to outrage her modesty and also touched her private part, but due to fear the victim did not disclose said incident to her mother. Subsequently, on 10.08.2024 at about 06:30 pm, the applicant again came to the house of the victim and tried to outrage her modesty, thereafter the victim disclosed the incident to her mother on 12.08.2024 and consequently F.I.R. was lodged.

3. Learned Senior Advocate appearing for the applicant would submit that the applicant is innocent and he has falsely been implicated in the case due to previous enmity between the families of the complainant and the applicant. Learned Senior Advocate would contend that on 02.09.2024, the mother of the applicant had made a written complaint before the Superintendent of Police, Durg against father of the victim and in retaliation, the complainant party lodged a false complaint. It is also argued that charge-sheet has already been filed and the applicant is in jail from 30.06.2026, therefore, this bail application may be allowed.

4. On the other hand, learned Panel Lawyer appearing for the State would oppose the bail application.

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

6. Victim along with her mother appeared through video conferencing from DLSA, Durg and she has raised serious objection in grant of bail to the applicant.

7. Having considered the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly the fact that F.I.R. was lodged against the applicant on 04.09.2024 and he remained absconding for period of 02 years and was arrested on 30.06.2026; age of the victim at the time of incident was 14 years; the victim in her statement recorded under Section 183 of BNSS has made serious allegation of molestation and further taking note of material collected by the prosecution during course of investigation, I am not inclined to release the applicant on regular bail. Accordingly, the bail application is **rejected**.

Sd/-
(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)
Judge

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