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# HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

**MCRC No. 8227 of 2026**

**1 -** Vikas Rai S/o Birendra Rai Aged About 21 Years R/o Near Ladri, Indira Nagar, Gada Chowk, Supela, District Durg, Chhattisgarh

**--- Petitioner(s)**

**versus**

**1 -** State Of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Chawni, District Durg Chhattisgarh

**--- Respondent(s)**

**MCRC No. 8451 of 2026**

**1 -** Prateek Patel S/o Late Benu Patel Aged About 20 Years R/o Near Jahaz Building Ramnagar, Supela, Bhilai, District- Durg (C.G.)

**---Petitioner(s)**

**Versus**

**1 -** State Of Chhattisgarh Through P.S. Chhawani District- Durg (C.G.)

**--- Respondent(s)**

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| **For Applicants** | **:** | Mr. Virendra Kashyap and Shri Dhirendra Prasad Mishra, Advocates. |
| **For Non-Applicant** | **:** | Mr. Jitendra Shrivastava, G.A. |

**Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey**

**Order on Board**

**26/10/2026**

1. These are the first bail applications filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) for grant of regular bail to the applicants in connection with the Crime No.320/2026, registered at Police Station Chhawani, District Durg for the offences punishable under Sections 317(2), 317(3), 318(4), 319, 61(2) & 111 of BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution, in brief, is that on 16.5.2026, during patrolling, Akash Jaiswal and Javed Akhtar were apprehended near Baikunthdham Anganwadi Centre, Durg, and numerous passbooks, ATM cards and mobile phones were recovered from them. During the course of investigation, on the basis of disclosure statements, the present applicants and 18 other accused persons were implicated in a cricket betting and cyber fraud network. The present applicants were arrested on 18.5.2026, and their mobile phones and a laptop were seized by the police. Thereafter, an FIR was registered for the commission of the aforesaid offences.

3. Learned counsel for the applicants would submit that the applicants have been falsely implicated in the present case. He would further submit that the charge-sheet has already been filed, the applicants have been in jail since 18.5.2026, and they have no criminal antecedents. He would also contend that the applicants are not beneficiaries of the alleged fraud and that there is no material to establish that any proceeds of the alleged fraud were transferred to

their bank accounts. He would, therefore, pray that the applicants be enlarged on regular bail.

4. On the other hand, learned State counsel would oppose the bail applications and submit that the present applicants, in association with other co-accused persons, were involved in an organized cyber fraud network. He would further submit that the applicants and other co-accused persons used 103 different bank accounts and that complaints were received through the portal from 35 different complainants. He would, therefore, submit that both bail applications deserve to be dismissed.

5. Heard learned counsel appearing for the parties and perused the case diary.

6. Having considered the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly that the applicants are not beneficiaries of the alleged fraud, the charge-sheet has already been filed, the applicants have no criminal antecedents, and they have been in jail since 18.5.2026, and further considering the submission that their bank accounts were not used in the commission of the alleged offence; without commenting on the merits of the case, I am inclined to allow both the bail applications.

7. Accordingly, the bail application filed by the applicants in both the cases are allowed and it is directed that in the event of the applicants executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- with one surety each to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court, they shall be released on bail, on following conditions :-

(i) they 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 them from disclosing such fact to the Court,

(ii) they shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial, and

(iii) they shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to them by the said Court till disposal of the trial,

(iv) they shall not involve themselves in any offence of similar nature in future.

The observations made in the course of this order are only for considering the case of the applicants on the application for grant of regular bail. The concerned trial Court shall not be influenced or bound by the observations made in the course of this order.

Sd/-

**(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)**
**Judge**

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