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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 8618 of 2026

1 - Ranjeet Kumar Thakur S/o Shri Ashok Thakur Aged About 32 Years R/o Bhatthi Road Malhotra Gali Kedarpur Ambikapur, Police Station And Tahsil Ambikapur, Distt- Surguja (C.G.)

... Petitioner(s)

versus

1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Station House Officer, Police Station Ambikapur Distt- Surguja (C.G.)

... Respondent(s)

For Applicant	:	Shri A.N. Pandey, Advocate.
For Non-applicant/State	:	Shri Jitendra Shrivastava, G.A.

HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE RAKESH MOHAN PANDEY

Order on Board

27/10/2026

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.396/2026 registered at Police Station Ambikapur, District Surguja (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Sections 317(4) & 318(4) of BNS.

2. As per the case of the prosecution, pursuant to the official requisition dated 11.6.2026 issued by the office of the Nodal Officer, Cyber Cell, District Surguja, Ambikapur, an investigation was initiated into designated mule bank accounts bearing Nos. 25260110125939 and 617262683, which were allegedly used for cyber fraud. During the course of the investigation, it was found that a sum of Rs.26,462/- had been transferred to the bank account of the present applicant, out of which a sum of Rs.4,000/- was subsequently transferred to another bank account. Accordingly, an FIR was registered against the present applicant.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant would submit that the main culprit is Ashish Thakur and that the applicant's bank accounts were used by the said accused. He would further submit that the applicant is not a beneficiary of the alleged fraudulent transactions. He would also contend that the charge-sheet has already been filed, that the applicant has been in jail since 12.6.2026, that he has no criminal antecedents, and that the trial may take some time to conclude. He would, therefore, pray for grant of regular bail to the applicant.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State would oppose the bail application and submit that sums of Rs.26,462/- and Rs.4,000/- were transferred to the bank accounts of the present applicant. It is further contended that the applicant was involved in the commission of cyber fraud and, therefore, his bail application deserves to be rejected.

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

6. Having considered the fact that the main allegation is against Ashish Thakur; that sums of Rs.26,462/- and Rs.4,000/- were transferred to

the bank accounts of the present applicant; that the applicant's bank accounts were allegedly operated by the main accused, Ashish Thakur; that the charge-sheet has already been filed; that the applicant has been in jail since 12.6.2026; and that he has no criminal antecedents, this Court, without commenting on the merits of the case, is inclined to allow the bail application. Accordingly, the bail application is allowed.

7. Let the applicant be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond in sum of Rs.50,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the Court concerned with 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, &

(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.

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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