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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 9002 of 2026

Daniram Banjara S/o Motilal Banjara, Aged About 36 Years Resident Of Village Chakarda, Police Station Saraipali, District Mahasamund (C.G.).

... Applicant

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Station House Officer, Police Of Police Station Saraipali, Distt. Mahasamund (C.G.). **... Non-Applicant**

For Applicant	:	Ms. Gunja Taram, Advocate
For Non-Applicant	:	Mr. Sourabh Sahu, 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 the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) for grant of regular bail, as he has been arrested in connection with Crime No. 249/2026, registered at Police Station Saraipali, District Mahasamund (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Section 34(2) of the Chhattisgarh Excise Act, 1915.

2. The case of the prosecution, in brief, is that on 31.07.2026, the police party of Police Station Saraipali, upon receiving secret information, intercepted the applicant and seized 25 bulk litres of illicit country-made liquor from his illegal possession without any valid pass or licence. Thereafter, the aforesaid offence was registered against the applicant, and he was taken into custody on 31.07.2026.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the applicant submits that the applicant has falsely been implicated in the present case. She further submits that the applicant has no criminal antecedents. The applicant is in jail since 31.07.2026, the investigation is complete and the charge-sheet has

already been filed before the competent court, and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time; therefore, she prays for grant of regular bail to the present applicant.

4. On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the bail application and submits that the charge-sheet has already been filed before the competent Court. He further submits that 25 bulk litres of country-made liquor was seized from the possession of the present applicant, therefore, he is not entitled to grant of regular bail.

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

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature and gravity of the allegations levelled against the applicant, and the fact that the applicant has no criminal antecedents; also considering the fact that the charge-sheet has been filed, the applicant is in jail since 31.07.2026, and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I am inclined to grant regular bail to the present applicant. Accordingly, the bail application is **allowed**.

7. It is directed that in the event of the applicant executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court, he shall be released on bail, on 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, and

   (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.

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

Rakesh Mohan Pandey

JUDGE

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