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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 9658 of 2026

Chandrahas Kariyam S/o Sekhuram Kariyam Aged About 46 Years R/o Naragaon, P.S. And Tehsil Balod District Balod Chhattisgarh

... Applicant

Versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Rudri District Dhamtari Chhattisgarh

... Respondent(s)

For Applicant	:	Mr. Sudhanshu K. Singh, Advocate
For Non-Applicant	:	Mr. Dharmesh Shrivastava, Dy. A.G.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey

Order on Board

29.10.2026

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. 77/2024 registered at Police Station – Rudri, District – Dhamtari (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Section 420, 409, 34 and 120B of the Indian Penal Code.

2. The prosecution case, in brief, is that the complainant, Smt. Sarla

Netam, lodged a report at Police Station Civil Lines, Rudri, District Dhamtari, Chhattisgarh, alleging that Sarita Kariyam, her husband Chandrahas Kariyam, and Kolbahra Nishad induced the rural women to invest substantial amounts of money for agricultural purposes by promising them attractive commissions. They formed groups of women and facilitated the procurement of loans through various banks. The loan amounts were disbursed in the names of the said women; however, the instalments were not repaid to the banks. It is further alleged that the applicant, along with the other co-accused persons, cheated the complainant and other women, thereby causing a financial loss amounting to Rs. 26,59,000/-. During the course of the investigation, relevant documents were seized, and it was revealed that loans had been sanctioned in the names of the rural women on the pretext of providing them with a 10% commission. Thus, the applicant is alleged to have committed the aforesaid offence.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the co-accused, namely, Sarita Kariyam, who is alleged to be involved in the same offence, has already been enlarged on bail by this Hon’ble Court vide order dated 04.05.2026 passed in M.Cr.C. No. 4105 of 2026. It is further submitted that the case of the present applicant stands on the same footing as that of the aforesaid co-accused. Therefore, the applicant is also entitled to be granted the benefit of parity. Learned counsel further submits that the applicant is ready and willing to abide by all the terms and conditions that may

be imposed by this Hon'ble Court while granting bail. Hence, it is prayed that the applicant may also be enlarged on bail on the ground of parity.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the bail application and submits that the applicant, along with the other co-accused persons, induced the complainant and other rural women to obtain loans from various banks by promising them a commission of 10%, but the loan amounts were misappropriated and the loan installments were not repaid to the concerned banks, thereby causing a financial loss of Rs. 26,59,000/-. It is further submitted that the allegations against the applicant are serious in nature and that the applicant, along with the other co-accused persons, played an active role in the commission of the alleged offence. Hence, considering the gravity of the allegations and the nature of the offence, learned counsel for the State prays that the bail application filed by the applicant be rejected.

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

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the case diary and the material available on record, it appears that the applicant is alleged to have induced the complainant and other rural women to obtain loans from various banks on the promise of providing them a 10% commission, resulting in an alleged financial loss of Rs. 26,59,000/-. Learned counsel for the applicant has also brought to the notice of this Court that co-

accused Sarita Kariyam has already been granted bail vide order dated 04.05.2026 passed in M.Cr.C. No. 4105 of 2026. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the material collected during the investigation, and the principle of parity, this Court is of the considered opinion that the applicant is entitled for grant of bail.

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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