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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRCA No. 1816 of 2026

1. Aftab Qureshi S/o Salim Qureshi Aged About 27 Years R/o Near Noorani Chowk, Rajatalab, Police Station - Civil Lines, Raipur Chhattisgarh

... Applicant

versus

1. State of Chhattisgarh Through Station House Officer, Police Station - Takhatpur, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh

... Non-applicant

For Applicant	:	Mr. Shailendra Shukla, Advocate
For Non-applicant	:	Ms. Sunita Manikpuri, Government Advocate

SB: Hon'ble Shri Justice Parth Prateem Sahu

Order On Board

05/11/2026

1. This is second bail application filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of anticipatory bail to applicant who is apprehending his arrest in connection with Crime No.255/2023 registered at Police Station Takhatpur, District Bilaspur under Sections 4, 6 and 10 of the Chhattisgarh Agricultural Cattle Preservation Act, 2004; Section 11 (1) (a) and 11 (1) (d) of the Prevention

of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and Section 66/192 of the Motor Vehicles Act.

2. Previous application bearing MCRCA No.1625/2026 was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 01.10.2026 with liberty to file better constituted application.

3. Case of prosecution, in brief, is that the complainant lodged written complaint mentioning that in the night intervening 24.5.2023 and 25.5.2023 some unknown persons were loading cattle in cruel manner in truck bearing registration number CG13-DG-1525 and Container No.PB13-BL-7401. Seeing the villagers coming towards them, they fled from their leaving the vehicles and cattle. Based on this information, the instant crime was registered and the police are in search of applicant.

4. Learned counsel for applicant would submit that the applicant is innocent, he has not committed the offence as alleged and has been falsely implicated. Applicant has been made accused in instant crime on the basis of memorandum statement co-accused persons namely Shiv Kumar Yadav and Nadeem Qureshi, who have already been released on bail. Applicant is ready to co-operate with Police in investigation and also to abide by all the terms and conditions that may be imposed by this Court while granting anticipatory bail.

5. On the other hand, learned State Counsel opposes the submissions of learned counsel for applicant and submits that applicant is engaged in the business of sale-purchase of cattle and was transporting the cattle to Jabalpur for the purpose of slaughter. There are as many as three criminal antecedents against the applicant. Co-accused persons have been released on regular bail.

6. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

7. Taking into consideration the submission of learned counsel for respective parties; nature of allegations and further considering that applicant has been made accused in instant crime on the basis of memorandum statement of co-accused persons, without commenting anything on merits of the case, I am inclined to release the applicant on anticipatory bail. Accordingly, the anticipatory bail application is allowed. It is directed that in the event of arrest of applicant in connection with aforementioned crime, he shall be released on bail on his executing a personal bond in sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer concerned. The applicant shall also abide by following conditions :-

(i) he shall make himself available for interrogation before the investigating officer as and when required;

(ii) 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/her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

(iii) he shall not act, in any manner, which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial; and

iv) he shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to him by the said Court till disposal of trial.

Sd/-

(Parth Prateem Sahu)
Judge

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