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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 10496 of 2026

- Naveen Chauhan S/o Sanwariya Chauhan Aged About 21 Years R/o Village - Joganipali, P. S. - Saraipali, District - Mahasamund (C.G.)

... Applicant

versus

- State Of Chhattisgarh Through - Station House Officer, Police Station - Balauda, District - Mahasamunda (C.G.)

... Non-Applicant

For Applicant : Mr. Kishore Narayan, Advocate
For State : Ms. Smriti Shrivastva, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey

Order on Board

04.11.2026

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. 56/2026 registered at Police Station Balauda, District Mahasamund (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Section 34(2) of C.G. Excise Act.

2. The case of the prosecution, in brief, is that the police of Police Station Balauda, District Mahasamund received an information from the informant and on the basis of said information conducted a raid and seized 40 bulk liters of country made mahua liquor from joint possession of the present applicant and co-accused. Thereafter, Police has registered an aforesaid

offence against the present applicant.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the present applicant has falsely been implicated in this case and the said 40 bulk liter of country made mahua liquor was not seized from exclusive possession of the applicant. He further submits that applicant is in jail since 01.09.2026, charge-sheet has been filed and trial is likely to take some time for its conclusion. It is submitted that the present applicant has one criminal antecedent, which was registered in the year 2023 under the provisions of IPC. He would pray for grant of bail to the present applicant.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State would oppose the bail application and submit that the charge-sheet has been filed in the present case before the competent Court.

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

6. Having considered the facts and circumstances of the case, nature and gravity of allegation levelled against the present applicants and fact that the applicant has one criminal antecedent registered in the year 2023 under the provisions of IPC and no live case of similar nature is pending against him. Further taking note of the quantity of liquor, period of pre-trial detention, charge-sheet has already been filed before the competent Court and applicant is in jail since 01.09.2026, I am inclined to allow this bail application.

7. Accordingly, the regular bail application is allowed and 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 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.

Sd/-
(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)
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