



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

CRR No. 197 of 2026

1. Vijay Mahant S/o Shri Garib Das Mahant Aged About 55 Years (Wrongly Mentioned In Jail Warrant As Garibandar Mahant) (Now 57 Years) R/o House No. Z-68, Gali No. 5, Near Krishna Kids Academy, Dubey Colony, Mova, P.S. Pandri, Raipur District - Raipur Chhattisgarh

... Applicant

versus

1. Ravindra Singh Bedi S/o Shri Pritam Singh Aged About 69 Years R/o House No. 30/143, Gali No. 4 C, New Shanti Nagar, Raipur, District Raipur Chhattisgarh

... Respondent

Order Sheet

06.02.2026	Mr. Rajesh Kumar Kesharwani, learned counsel for the Applicant. Heard on admission. Admit. Issue notice to the respondent on payment of PF as per rules. Also heard on I.A. No. 01/2026, application for suspension of sentence.
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Being aggrieved by the impugned judgment dated 28.01.2026, passed by the learned 6th Additional Sessions Judge, Raipur (C.G.) in Criminal Appeal No. 206/2025 upholding the judgment dated 02.04.2025 passed by the learned JMFC Raipur (C.G.) in Complaint Case No. 6743/2023 whereby the applicant was convicted for the offence punishable under Section 138 of NI Act and sentenced to undergo S.I. for 06 months and to pay compensation of Rs. 8,04,000/- with default stipulation.

Learned counsel for the applicant submits that that there is no material on record on the basis of which the applicant's conviction can be sustained. Only a short sentence of 06 months SI has been imposed upon the applicant. The applicant is in jail since 28.01.2026, and he is ready to abide by all the terms and conditions which may be imposed upon him while suspending the jail sentence and the recovery of compensation. The conclusion of this revision petition is likely to take considerable time, therefore, the substantive jail sentence of the applicant may be suspended till final disposal of this case and he may be released on bail. He also prayed that the recovery of compensation may also be suspended till final disposal of the case.

Heard counsel for the applicant and perused the record.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly the short sentence of 06 months' simple imprisonment and compensation of Rs. 8,04,000/- and also consideration the fact that the applicant is ready to abide by any terms and conditions to be imposed by this Court, at this



stage, I am inclined to suspend the sentence.

Accordingly, I.A. No. 01/2026 is **allowed**.

It is directed that the substantive jail sentence of the applicant shall remain suspended till final disposal of the instant revision petition and he shall be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs. 25,000/- with one surety for the like sum to the satisfaction of the trial Court for his appearance before the Registry of this Court on **6th April, 2026**. He shall thereafter appear before the concerned trial Court on a date to be given by the Registry of this Court and thereafter, continue to appear before the trial Court on all such subsequent dates as are given to him by the said Court till disposal of this case.

It is also directed that subject to the applicant depositing 50% of the cheque amount within a period of 60 days from today the recovery of the remaining compensation amount shall remain stayed till the final disposal of the instant revision.

After due verification, the complainant would be at liberty to withdraw the amount deposited by the applicant with a condition to return the said amount whenever the Court directs.

Call for records of the trial Court.

Sd/-
(Sanjay Kumar Jaiswal)
Judge