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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 1426 of 2026

Ramnarayan Banjare S/o Bhaluram Banjare Aged About 55 Years R/o Village Giraud, P.S. Dharshiwa, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

... Applicant

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Civil Line, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

... Respondent(s)

For Applicant : Mr. Anchal Kumar Matre, Advocate

For Respondent(s) : Dr. Surendra Kumar Dewangan, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Arvind Kumar Verma

Order on Board

25/02/2026

1. This is the **first** bail application filed under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested on 17.10.2025 in connection with **Crime No. 1107/25**, registered at Police Station- Civil Line, District- Bilaspur (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 74, 351(2), 3(5) of BNS, 2023 and u/s 7 and 8 of POCSO Act, 2012.

2. The prosecution story, in brief, is that the applicant who is the husband of the complainant who were married on 19.04.2024, has allegedly along with his three friends went to the house of the complainant on 22.09.2025 at 11:00 PM and committed assault and intimidated the whole family and threatened them to death. On 23.09.2025, an FIR was lodged wherein the complainant also made allegation that the applicant has fondled the intimate body parts of her minor daughter on earlier occasions in the month of June, 2025. The FIR was registered.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant contended that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the alleged commission of offence, because the applicant has not played any part in the aforesaid criminal case. There is huge delay in lodging the FIR which has also been not explained. As per the knowledge of the applicant, the complainant had also earlier tried to implicate her earlier husband in similar way. The investigation is complete and charge sheet has been presented before learned trial court. There is no chance of tampering evidence or influencing any material witnesses. The applicant is languishing in jail since 27.10.2025.
4. Learned State Counsel raised objection to the contentions of the counsel for the applicant.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the case diary.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, nature and allegations, submission of the counsel for the parties, particularly, the fact that there is a dispute relating to money between the complainant who is the wife of the present applicant and present applicant who is step father of the victim. It is also pertinent to mention here that as per Annexure A/4, the applicant lodged a complaint against the victim at Police Station AJK on 18.08.2025. As per Annexure A/5, the applicant had made a written complaint on 05.06.2024 at police station Mahila Thana, Raipur regarding harassment which were being made by the complainant as well as regarding extra marital affairs with some other persons. It is also pertinent to mention here that the other co-accused persons have been enlarged on bail by this Court in MCRC No. 9931/2025 dated 17.12.2025 and MCRC No. 10162/2025 dated 21.01.2026. The applicant has no criminal antecedents, further the conclusion of the trial may take some more time, therefore, looking to the entire facts and circumstances of the case, particularly, the role of the present applicant, this Court is of the view that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in this case.
7. Let the applicant- **Ramnarayan Banjare**, involved in Crime No. 1107/25 registered at Police Station- Civil Line, District- Bilaspur (C.G.), for the aforesaid offences be released on bail on his furnishing a **bail bond of Rs. 10,000/-** with one surety in the like

sum to the satisfaction of the Court concerned with the following conditions:-

(i) The applicant shall file an undertaking to the effect that he shall not seek any adjournment on the dates fixed for evidence when the witnesses are present in court. In case of default of this condition, it shall be open for the trial court to treat it as abuse of liberty of bail and pass orders in accordance with law.

(ii) The applicant shall remain present before the trial court on each date fixed, either personally or through his counsel. In case of his absence, without sufficient cause, the trial court may proceed against them under Section 269 of Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita, 2023

(iii) In case, the applicant misuses the liberty of bail during trial and in order to secure their presence, proclamation under Section 84 of BNSS, is issued and the applicant fail to appear before the court on the date fixed in such proclamation, then, the trial court shall initiate proceedings against them, in accordance with law, under Section 209 of Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

(iv) The applicant shall remain present, in person, before the trial court on the dates fixed for (i) opening of the case, (ii) framing of charge and (iii) recording of statement under Section 351 BNSS.

If in the opinion of the trial court absence of the applicants is deliberate or without sufficient cause, then it shall be open for the trial court to treat such default as abuse of liberty of bail and proceed against them in accordance with law.

(v) The applicant shall not threaten the complainant as well as the victim.

(vi) The accused shall remain present, in person, on first Sunday of every month before the Civil Lines Police Station, Bilaspur, C.G. between 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

8. Office is directed to send a certified copy of this order to the trial Court for necessary information and compliance forthwith.

Sd/-

(Arvind Kumar Verma)

JUDGE

Madhurima