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NAFR**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****MCRC No. 1890 of 2026**

- Gagan @ Anmol Singh Bhatia S/o Late Parampreet Bhatia Aged About 24 Years Resident of Street No.7 Shatabdi Nagar Police Station- Telibandha, District- Raipur (C.G.)

... Applicant**versus**

- State of Chhattisgarh Through- Station House Officer Police Station- Singhoda District- Mahasamund (C.G.)

... Respondent**(Cause title is taken from Case Information System)**

For Applicant : Mr. Satya Prakash Verma, Advocate
 For Respondent/State : Mr. Sourabh Sahu, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Mr. Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice
Order on Board

24/02/2026

1. This is the first bail application filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No.67/2025 registered at Police Station – Singhoda, District – Mahasamund (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Sections 20(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.
2. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that on the basis of information received from informant, the Police of Police Station, Singhoda has allegedly recovered 45 kg. cannabis from the Gray Colour KIA Car



bearing registration No. CG-10-BJ-5828 from the possession of applicant and co-accused Durgesh Sahu. Accordingly the offence U/s 20(B) of NDPS Act has been registered and the applicant & co-accused have been arrested on 07.08.2025. Hence, this bail application.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant would submit that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case and he is in jail since 07.08.2025. He would further submits that the mandatory provisions with regard to search and seizure were not complied with in this case and the conclusion of the trial may take quite long time. Accordingly, he prays for enlarging the applicant on regular bail.
4. Learned Panel Lawyer, appearing for the State/non-applicant would oppose the bail application and submit that the applicant has no criminal antecedents and the charge-sheet has been filed in the present case and contraband article i.e., 45 kgs of cannabis from the Gray Colour KIA Car bearing registration No. CG-10-BJ-5828 from the joint possession of applicant and co-accused Durgesh Sahu, which is more than commercial quantity. As such, the present applicant is not entitled to be released on bail.
5. I have heard learned counsel appearing for the parties and perused the case diary.
6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, allegation levelled against the present applicant and the quantity recovered of contraband article i.e., 45 kgs of cannabis from the joint possession of applicant and co-accused Durgesh Sahu, which is more than commercial quantity, this Court is of the opinion that is not a fit case to enlarge the applicant on regular bail.
7. Accordingly, the bail application of the applicant – **Gagan @ Anmol**



Singh Bhatia filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C., involved in Crime No.67/2025 registered at Police Station – Singhoda, District – Mahasamund (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Sections 20(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985., is **rejected.**

8. Needless to say that the trial Court concerned is at liberty to proceed and conclude the trial expeditiously.
9. Office is directed to send a certified copy of this order to the trial Court concerned for necessary information.

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice

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