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NAFR**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****MCRC No. 1925 of 2026**

Vijay Yadav @ Dhannu Yadav S/o Shivraj Yadav Aged About 24 Years R/o Dhanuharpura, Sindhi Mohalla, Purani Basti, Rani Road, Near Jhulelal Mandir, Korba, Police Station- Korba, District – Korba, C.G.

... Applicant**versus**

State of Chhattisgarh Through Station House Officer, Police Station Janjgir (Chowki Naila) District - Janjgir Champa, C.G.

... Non-applicant

For Applicant : Mr. Shreshtha Gupta, Advocate.

For Non-applicant/State : Ms. Smriti Shrivastava, Panel Lawyer.

Hon'ble Shri Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice**Order on Board****27.02.2026**

1. The applicant has preferred this First Bail Application under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail, as he has been arrested in connection with Crime No. 553/2025, registered at Police Station – Janjgir (Chowki Naila) District - Janjgir Champa, (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 331(4), 305(a), 62 and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sahnita, 2023.
2. As per the prosecution case, on 13.06.2025, after closing the SBI Bank, the present complainant, Ravi Sharma, posted as Chief Manager of SBI Bank (Naila Branch), left the bank premises. On 16.06.2025, it was discovered that the bank lock had been broken and the articles inside



were found scattered. An FIR was lodged against unknown persons.

During the course of investigation, the CCTV footage allegedly showed two unknown persons attempting to commit theft. Thereafter, on the basis of information received from an informer, the present applicant and one juvenile were taken into custody and were alleged to have committed the aforesaid offence. The applicant was arrested on 25.06.2025 and has been in judicial custody since then. The charge-sheet bearing No. 649/2025 dated 18.09.2025 has already been filed before the competent Court. Hence, the present application is being filed for grant of bail.

3. It is argued by learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. He further submits that the complainant himself has stated in the complaint that no cash was stolen, which forms part of the complaint as well as the statement made before the Investigating Authority. It is also contended that there is a delay of three days in lodging the FIR. Learned counsel further submits that the charge-sheet has already been filed and the applicant has been in judicial custody since 25.06.2025. It is argued that the trial is likely to take a considerable time to conclude. Therefore, on these grounds, learned counsel prays that the applicant be enlarged on bail.
4. On the other hand, the learned State counsel opposed the bail application and submitted that the charge-sheet has been filed in the present case. She further submitted that the applicant have two previous criminal antecedents of the year 2020 and 2024. Therefore, the applicant is not entitled to be released on bail.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the documents available on record.



6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, nature and gravity of allegation levelled against the applicant and the fact that the charge-sheet has been filed, the applicant has two previous criminal antecedents of the year 2020 and 2024, and he is in jail since 25.06.2025 and conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, this Court is of the opinion that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in this case.
7. Accordingly, the bail application is **allowed**. Let the applicant - **Vijay Yadav @ Dhannu Yadav**, involved in Crime No. 553/2025, registered at Police Station – Janjgir (Chowki Naila) District - Janjgir Champa, (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 331(4), 305(a), 62 and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sahnita, 2023, be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond with **two sureties** 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 him under Section 269 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.
 - (iii) In case, the applicant misuses the liberty of bail



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during trial and in order to secure his presence, proclamation under Section 84 of BNSS. is issued and the applicant fails to appear before the court on the date fixed in such proclamation, then, the trial court shall initiate proceedings against him, in accordance with law, under Section 209 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

(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 of BNSS. If in the opinion of the trial court absence of the applicant 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 him in accordance with law.

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

Sd/-

**(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice**

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