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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

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1 - Ritu Sahu D/o Chandrahas Sahu Aged About 24 Years R/o Village Tata, Police Station And Tahsil Sarsiwa, District Sarangarh-Bilaigarh Chhattisgarh.

--- Applicant

versus

1 - State of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Sarsiwa, District - Sarangarh-Bilaigarh Chhattisgarh.

--- Respondent

For Applicant :- Mr. Sourabh Sonwani, Advocate.

For State :- Mr. S.S. Baghel, Government Advocate.

Hon'ble Mr. Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

Order on Board

20.07.2026

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. 390/2025 registered at Police Station – Sarsiwa, District – Sarangarh-Bilaigarh (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Sections 318(2), 336(3), 336(4), 338, 340(2), 341(1), 341(2), 3(5) of the Bhartiya Nyaya



Sanhita.

2. That, the as per the prosecution's case, in brief, is that the applicant unfreeze a bank account at HDFC Bank, which was previously "held" in connection with a separate investigation (Crime No. 131/2024). It is alleged that forged documents, including a fake seal and signature of the Station House Officer (SHO) Sarsiwa, were utilized to facilitate the withdrawal of approximately ₹21,00,000/-.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant would submit that the present applicant is innocent person and has been falsely implicated in the aforesaid offence. He would also submit that father of the applicant Chandrahas Sahu has already granted bail by order of this Court's dated 15.06.2026 in MCRC No.2415/2026, who was the co-accused also. He would further submit that other co-accused persons namely Tikaram Sahu and Pramod Dewangan have already granted regular bail vide order dated 15.06.2026 in MCRC Nos.3698/2026 & 4540/2026 and except them Shiv Sharma @ Janmitra Sharma has also been granted anticipatory bail by order of this Court's dated 30.06.2026 in MCRCA No.813/2026. He would also submit that the applicant is in jail since 28.12.2025. Therefore, the applicant is also entitled to be released on regular bail on the ground of parity.
4. On the other hand, learned State counsel would oppose the



bail application of the applicant and submit that the charge-sheet has not been filed in the present case. However, he could not dispute the fact that an identically situated co-accused persons have already been granted regular bail by this Court.

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, further the fact that the other co-accused persons namely Chandrahas Sahu, Tikaram Sahu and Pramod Dewangan have already granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 15.06.2026 in MCRC Nos.2415/2026, 3698/2026 & 4540/2026, also considering the detention period of the applicant who is in jail since 28.12.2025, charge-sheet has not been filed yet and conclusion of the trial may take some more time, this Court is of the view that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in these cases on the ground of parity.
7. Let the Bail of Applicant – **Ritu Sahu** involved in Crime No. 390/2025 registered at Police Station – Sarsiwa, District – Sarangarh-Bilaigarh (C.G.), for the offence punishable under Sections 318(2), 336(3), 336(4), 338, 340(2), 341(1), 341(2), 3(5) of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, be released on bail on furnishing **personal bond** with **two local sureties** in the like



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

- (i) The applicant(s) 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(s) 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(s) misuses the liberty of bail 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(s) 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



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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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