



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRCA No. 679 of 2026

Sarvoday Yadav S/o Late Malram Yadav Aged About 46 Years R/o House No. 01-B/88, S. B. S. Colony S. E. C. L. Korba, District : Korba, Chhattisgarh

... Applicant(s)

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through- Station House Officer, Police Station- Mahila Thana, Durg/district Magistrate, Durg, District : Durg, Chhattisgarh

... Respondent(s)

Order Sheet

06/05/2026	1. Heard Mr. Chandrikaditya Pandey, learned counsel for the applicant. Also heard Ms. Ritika Verma, learned Panel Lawyer for the Non-applicant/State. 2. This is the first anticipatory bail application under Section 482 of the Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) filed by the applicant, who

	is apprehending his arrest in connection with Crime No. 17/2026 registered at Police Station Mahila Thana, District- Durg (C.G.) for the offence punishable under Sections 85 and 3(5) of BNS, 2023. 3. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that the complainant who is the wife of applicant lodged a report before the police station alleging therein that her marriage was solemnized with the applicant, Sarvoday Yadav, on 10.05.2022, in accordance with social customs and rituals. It is alleged that after about twenty days of the marriage, her husband and both sisters-in-law started demanding dowry of Rs. 5,00,000/- and a two-wheeler. They allegedly taunted and humiliated her by making remarks about her complexion, calling her “kali-kaluti,” and subjected her to physical as well as mental cruelty. It is further alleged that her husband and in-laws used to taunt her regarding the articles received in the marriage and that both sisters-in-law instigated her husband by stating
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	that, considering his employment in SECL, adequate dowry had not been given and that, had he married elsewhere, he would have received more dowry. They also allegedly remarked that her father, being a retired railway employee, was expected to provide substantial monetary benefits. The complainant has further alleged that during her pregnancy, both sisters-in-law drove her out of the matrimonial home, due to which she started residing at her parental house, where she gave birth to a daughter. It is also alleged that after the birth of the daughter, the harassment by her in-laws increased. On the basis of the aforesaid written report, an offence bearing Crime No. 17/2026 has been registered against the accused persons at Police Station Mahila Thana, Durg, District Durg (C.G.), for the offences punishable under Sections 85 and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. The charge sheet has not yet been filed and the matter is presently under investigation by the police. Based on these allegations the FIR
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	has been registered and the applicant is apprehending his arrest. 4. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the present matter, being matrimonial in nature, be referred to Mediation and Conciliation Center of this Court as there are chances to compromise between the parties. 5. On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail. 6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record. 7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and further the dispute between the parties, which shows that it is a matrimonial dispute, this Court, in the interest of justice deems it proper and necessary that an effort should be made for amicable settlement of the matter between the parties by way of mediation. 8. In view of above, it is directed that the applicant shall deposit Rs.50,000/- (Rs. Fifty thousand)
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with the Mediation Centre of this Court within 10 days from today and the said amount shall be paid to the complainant/wife on her appearance before the Mediation Center.

9. Learned State counsel is directed to inform the complainant/wife about this order.

10. The applicant is also directed to produce a copy of receipt before the Superintendent of Police concerned regarding payment of the said amount to the Mediation Centre of this Court in pursuance of this Court's order and then only this order shall be given into effect.

11. The matter is remitted to the Mediation Centre for appearance of the parties on **19th of May, 2026** with a direction that the Mediation Centre shall conclude the mediation and conciliation proceedings expeditiously.

12. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, it is directed that in the event of arrest of the applicant in connection with the aforesaid offence, he shall be released on bail on executing a

	personal bond with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, till the next date of listing. The applicant shall also abide by the following conditions:- (a) The applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such fact to the Court. (b) The applicant shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to fair and expeditious trial. (c) The applicant shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to him by the said Court till disposal of the trial. (d) The applicant and the surety shall submit a copy of his adhaar card along with a coloured postcard full size photo having printed the adhaar number on it, which shall be verified by the trial Court. (e) The applicant shall not involve himself in
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any offence of similar nature in future.

13. Let the matter be listed again on **17th of June, 2026**, along with the report of Mediation Centre.

**Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice**