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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 5336 of 2026

Lale Basod S/o Govind Basod Aged About 29 Years R/o Obri Gaurmatiya Tola, P.S. Sarai, District Singhrauli M.P. (Correctly Mentioned As Per Charge Sheet)

... Applicant

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Police Station Chakarbhata, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh

... Respondent

For Applicant : Shri Ritesh Verma, Advocate.

For : Shri Shailendra Sharma, PL.

Respondent/State

Hon'ble Mr. Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

Order on Board

18/06/2026

1. This is the second bail application filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the applicant who has been arrested in connection with Crime No.272/2024 registered at Police Station Chakarbhata, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh for the offence punishable under Sections 457,



380, 413, 34 of IPC.

2. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that the complainant, Pushpendra Dewangan, reported that on 13.06.2024 he had closed and locked his jewellery shop, namely Misi Jewelers, situated at Hirri Mines, Chakarbhata, at night and thereafter went to his residence to rest. On the next morning, when he reached the shop, he found that the lock had been broken and jewellery worth approximately Rs. 9,00,000/- along with Rs. 5,000/- in cash had been stolen by some unknown person(s). On the basis of the said report, an F.I.R. was lodged against unknown persons. During the course of investigation, the present applicant was arrested on 23.09.2024, and thereafter a charge-sheet was filed before the competent Court of law.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that this is the second bail application of the applicant and the first bail application of the applicant was rejected by this Court on merits vide order dated 02/03/2026 in MCRC No.2074/2026. He would submit that out of 24 prosecution witnesses statement of 11 prosecution witnesses have been recorded. He would submit that the charge sheet has been filed in this case, the applicant is in jail since 23/09/2025 and conclusion of trial will take some time, therefore, he prays for grant of bail to the applicant.
4. On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the bail application.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the case diary.
6. From perusal of the records, it transpires that this is the second bail application of the applicant and the first bail application of the applicant



was rejected by this Court on merits vide order dated 02/03/2026 in MCRC No.2074/2026. Considering the fact that out of 24 prosecution witnesses statement of 11 prosecution witnesses have been recorded, applicant is in jail since 23/09/2025 and also considering the fact that trial is likely to take some time for its conclusion, therefore this Court is of the view that the applicant is entitled to be released on bail in this case.

7. Accordingly, the second bail application is allowed and it is directed that the Applicant- **Lale Basod**, involved in Crime No.272/2024 registered at Police Station Chakarbhata, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh for the offence punishable under Sections 457, 380, 413, 34 of IPC, be released on bail on his furnishing a **personal bond** with **two sureties, out of which, one should be local surety and other should be family member** 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 during trial and in order to secure his presence, proclamation under Section 84 of BNSS. is issued and



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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.

Sd/-

(Ramesh Sinha)
CHIEF JUSTICE