

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

CRA No. 237 of 2016

- Rajesh Vaishnav S/O Shri Dau Das, Aged About 44 Years R/O Village Taraud, Police Station Akaltara, Civil And Rev. District Janjgir Champa Chhattisgarh.

---- Petitioner

Versus

- State Of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Akaltara, Civil And Rev. District Janjgir Champa Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

18/02/2016	Shri P.M.Shriwas, counsel for the appellant. Shri Ashish Shukla, G.A.for the State. Heard on I.A. No.01, application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail. By the impugned judgment dated 08.02.2016 passed by the Judge (Electricity Act), Janjgir-Champa in Electricity Criminal Case No.107/2014 the accused/appellant stands convicted under Section 135 (1-A) and sentenced to undergo RI for six months. Contention of the counsel for the appellant is that the maximum sentence which has been awarded to the appellant is of six months. He submits that during trial the appellant was on bail and even after pronouncement of judgment impugned he has been granted bail. He further submits that the appeal is likely to take sometime for its final disposal therefore he may be released on bail. On the other hand, counsel for the State opposes the bail application. Considering the totality of the fact in particular the short sentence awarded to the appellant, without further commenting on merits, I am of the opinion that present is a	

fit case to suspend the jail sentence imposed upon the appellant.

Accordingly, the application is allowed.

It is directed that the jail sentence imposed upon the appellant shall remain suspended during the pendency of this appeal and he shall be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs. 10,000/- with one surety in like sum to the satisfaction of the trial court. The appellant need not give appearance anywhere until and unless otherwise directed.

Sd/-
Pritinker Diwaker
Judge