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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

MCRC No. 8652 of 2026

* - Mohan Lal Panjwani S/o Brijh Ram Panjwani, Aged About 56 Years R/o Jawahar Para, Balod, P.S. And Tehsil Balod, District Balod (C.G.)

... Applicant

Versus

* - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Police Station Balod, District Balod (C.G.)

... Non-Applicant

For Applicant : Ms. Surbhi Yadav, Advocate

For Non-Applicant : Mr. Vivek Sharma, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey
Order on Board

29/09/2026

1. The applicant has preferred this first bail application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 as he is in jail since 09.07.2026 in connection with Crime No. 333/2026 registered in Police Station – Balod, District Balod (CG) for commission of offence punishable under Sections 34(2) of CG Excise Act.
2. Case of the prosecution, in brief, is that the applicant was found in possession of 5.760 bulk liter of illicit country made liquor without having valid license and accordingly, the offence has been registered against the applicant and he was arrested on 09.07.2026.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant contends that the applicant is innocent and he has been falsely implicated. She also submits that



liquor has not been seized from exclusive possession of applicant. She would contend that out of 04 criminal antecedents of similar nature, the applicant has already been acquitted in 03 criminal cases and 01 is pending. She would submit that the applicant is languishing in jail since 09.07.2026 and charge-sheet has already been filed, therefore, he may be released on regular bail.

4. On the other hand, the learned State counsel opposed the bail application of present applicant. He submits that there are 04 criminal antecedents of similar nature against the present applicant in which he has already been acquitted from trial Court in 03 cases and 01 is pending. He contends that the charge-sheet has been filed.
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, out of 04 criminal antecedents of similar nature, the applicant has already been acquitted in 03 cases and 01 is pending; further looking to the quantity of liquor seized from the applicant, charge-sheet has already been filed and he is in jail from 09.07.2026, I am inclined to grant regular bail to the present applicant. Accordingly, the instant bail application of the applicant is **allowed**.
7. It is directed that in the event of the applicant executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- with one surety in the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court, he shall be released on bail on the following conditions:-

- I. He shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the



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case so as to dissuade him/her from disclosing such fact to the Court;

II. He shall not act in any manner which will be prejudicial to a fair and expeditious trial;

III. He shall appear before the trial Court on each and every date given to him by the said Court till the disposal of the trial; and,

IV. He shall not involve himself in any offence of a similar nature in future.

8. The observation made in the course of this order is only for considering the case of the applicant on the application for the grant of regular bail. The concerned trial Court shall not be influenced or bound by any observation made in the course of this order.
9. Certified copy as per rules.

Sd/-
(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)
Judge