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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

CRA No. 2077 of 2025

Jahiruddin Qureshi and Anr. **versus** STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Order Sheet

05/02/2026	Mr. R. K. Gomasta, counsel for the appellants. Ms. Laxmeen Kashyap, PL for the State. Record of the trial Court is received. Heard on I.A. No. 01/2025, application under Section 430 of B.N.S.S., 2023 for suspension of sentence and grant of bail. By the impugned judgment dated 03.09.2025 passed by learned 2nd Additional Sessions Judge, Durg, District Durg (C.G.) in Sessions Case No. 68/2024, the appellants have been convicted and sentenced as mentioned below : <table><tr><th colspan="3">For appellant Jahiruddin Qureshi</th></tr><tr><th>Sl.</th><th>Conviction</th><th>Sentence</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Under Section 307 of IPC</td><td>R.I. for 7 years and fine of Rs.5,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 year.</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Under Section 279 of IPC</td><td>R.I. for 6 months and fine of Rs.1,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 month.</td></tr></table>	For appellant Jahiruddin Qureshi			Sl.	Conviction	Sentence	1.	Under Section 307 of IPC	R.I. for 7 years and fine of Rs.5,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 year.	2.	Under Section 279 of IPC	R.I. for 6 months and fine of Rs.1,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 month.
For appellant Jahiruddin Qureshi													
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1.	Under Section 307 of IPC	R.I. for 7 years and fine of Rs.5,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 year.											
2.	Under Section 279 of IPC	R.I. for 6 months and fine of Rs.1,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 month.											

3.	Under Section 337 of IPC	R.I. for 6 months and fine of Rs.500/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 month.
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All the sentences are directed to run concurrently.

For appellant Lokesh @ Shubham Markam

Sl.	Conviction	Sentence
1.	Under Section 307 of IPC	R.I. for 7 years and fine of Rs.5,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 1 year.
2.	Under Section 294 of IPC	R.I. for 3 months and fine of Rs.500/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 15 days.
3.	Under Section 506 of IPC	R.I. for 2 years and fine of Rs.1,000/-, in default of payment of fine amount additional R.I. for 2 months.

All the sentences are directed to run concurrently.

Learned counsel for the appellants submits that the appellants are innocent and have been falsely implicated in the case. He further submits that there is no material on record on the basis of which appellant's conviction can be sustained. He further submits that the prosecution has failed to prove the entire prosecution case beyond reasonable doubt. He next submits that Appellants were detained in Jail and disposal of this appeal is likely to take considerable time, therefore, they may be enlarged on bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail

Ravi Mandavi	and supported the impugned judgment. I have heard learned counsel appearing for the parties. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly the nature and gravity of offence, the evidence available on record against the applicant, I do not find it appropriate to release the appellants on bail. Accordingly, I.A. No. 02/2025 is rejected. List this case for final hearing in the week commencing 23rd February, 2026. Sd/- (Sanjay Kumar Jaiswal) Judge
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