



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

Order Sheet

CRR No. 1475 of 2025

Shivnarayan Sahu S/o Dular Ram Sahu Aged About 39 Years R/o Village Amdi, Police Station Arjuni, District Dhamtari (C.G.)

... Appellant

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Through - The Station House Officer, Police Of Police Station Arjuni, District Dhamtari (C.G.)

---- Respondent

05.12.2025	Mr. Anil Kumar Gulati, counsel for the applicant. Mr. Ajit Singh, GA for the State/Respondent. Heard on admission as well as I.A. No. 01/2025, an application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail to the appellant. Admit. By the impugned judgment of conviction and sentence dated 29.11.2025 passed in Criminal Appeal No.68/2022 by the First Additional Sessions Judge, Dhamtari, District Dhamtari (C.G.), the appellant stands convicted and sentenced as mentioned below :

Conviction	Sentence	In Default
Under Section 420 of IPC	RI for 03 years and fine amount of Rs.2,000/-	In default of payment of fine amount additional SI for 02 months

Learned counsel appearing for the appellant contended that the applicant has been wrongly convicted by the trial Court in the judgment without there being any sufficient evidence available on record. He further contended that during trial, applicant was on bail and during the appeal, applicant was in jail almost 15 months and thereafter from the date of judgment i.e., 29.11.2025 he is in jail and appeal is likely to take some more time to be finalized. Hence, it is prayed that I.A. No.01/2025 may be allowed.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State opposes the application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail and supported the impugned judgment passed by the learned trial Court.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and order passed by the learned trial Court and other material available on record with utmost circumspection.

Considering the totality of the facts, further considering the detention period of the applicant and other materials available on record, without further commenting on other merits of the case, I am of this opinion that it will be proper to release the applicant on bail during the pendency of this case.

Substantive jail sentences imposed upon the applicant

shall remain suspended during the pendency of this appeal and he shall be released on bail on executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- with one surety for the like sum to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court for his appearance before the Registry of this Court on **20.01.2026**. He shall thereafter appear before the trial Court on a date to be given by the Registry of this Court and shall continue to appear there on all such subsequent dates as are given to him by the said Court, till the disposal of this appeal.

Call for the record from the concerned trial court.

List this case for final hearing in the third week of January, 2026.

Sd/-

(Arvind Kumar Verma)
Judge