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MCRC-55535-2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH
AT JABALPUR

BEFORE

HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE DEVNARAYAN MISHRA

ON THE 27th OF FEBRUARY, 2025MISC. CRIMINAL CASE No. 55535 of 2024*MURLI MANOHAR SONI**Versus**THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH*

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Appearance:

Mr. Manish Datt - Senior Advocate with Mr. Amardeep Seth - Advocate for applicant.

Ms. Ranjana Agnihotri - Deputy Government Advocate for State.

Mr. Sandeep Koshta - Advocate for objector.

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ORDER

I.A. No.641 of 2025 is an application for taking additional documents on record.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, I.A. No.641 of 2025 is allowed and the aforesaid documents are taken on record.

This is the *first* application filed by the applicant under Section 482 of *Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023*/Section 438 of Cr.P.C., 1973 seeking anticipatory bail in connection with Crime No.681 of 2024 for the offence punishable under Sections 69, 118(1), 351(2) of the *Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023* registered at Police Station - Kotwali Shahdol, District-Shahdol (M.P.).

2. Learned counsel for the applicant has submitted that the victim and the applicant was having love affairs and during that time, the victim was also



having a love affair with another person and due to that quarrel took place and due to that reasons, she has lodged the F.I.R. Learned counsel for the applicant has filed the documents and chats of the prosecutrix with another person as Annexure/2 and documents and chats of the applicant with the prosecutrix vide I.A. No.641 of 2025 and has submitted that it is a pure case of consent and no case is made out against the present applicant. Hence, the applicant is entitled to be released on anticipatory bail.

3. Learned counsel for the objector has submitted that the applicant was threatening the victim and on the basis of threat, he established the physical relations, hence, no case for anticipatory bail is made out.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposed the anticipatory bail application and has submitted that as per MLC report, it is clear that the victim was assaulted and she had suffered injuries on head, hand and stomach, hence, no case for anticipatory bail is made out.

5. Heard the parties and perused the case diary.

6. Looking to the facts and circumstances of the case coupled with the fact that custodial interrogation of the applicant is not required, this Court deems it appropriate to enlarge the applicant on anticipatory bail, therefore, without commenting on the merits of the case, the application is **allowed**.

7. It is directed that in the event of arrest the **applicant-Murli Manohar Soni** shall be enlarged on bail on furnishing a personal bond in a sum of **Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)** with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer for his appearance before him during the course of investigation or before the trial Court concerned



during trial, as the case may be.

8. The applicant is directed to cooperate with the investigating agency and shall submit all the electronic gadgets like laptop, mobile and shall also disclose his password of all social media platforms like facebook, instagram and whatsapp etc. to the agency. He shall also give the samples of his body fluid and blood if required by the Police Authorities.

9. The applicant is directed that he directly or indirectly shall not establish any relation and induce or threaten the victim or any other person proposed to be a witness in the case.

10. The applicant shall appear before the police authority, if required, and after completion of trial before the trial Court, shall cooperate till disposal of this case.

11. It is further directed that the applicant shall abide by all the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

12. Accordingly, M.Cr.C. stands disposed of.

13. C.C. as per rules.

(DEVNARAYAN MISHRA)
JUDGE

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