IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA CIRCUIT BENCH AT DHARWAD DATED THIS THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 2011 BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V. JAGANNATHAN CRL.P.NO.10446/2011

Between:

- 1. Shri.Gangappa Kareppa Pujeri, Age 26 years, Occ.: Agriculture, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.
- Shri.Kareppa Basappa Guddeppagol, Age 23 years, Coolie, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.
- 3. Shri.Durgappa Yallappa Guddeppagol, Age 24 years, Occ. Agriculture, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.
- 4. Shri.Laxman Yallappa Konakeri, Age 30 years, Occ.: Agriculture, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.
- 5. Shri.Chandru Yallappa Udugol, Age 30 years, Occ.: Agriculture, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.
- 6. Shri.Siddappa Kareppa Pujeri, Age 20 years, Occ. Coolie, R/o.Karavinkumpi, Village, Tq. & Dist.: Belgaum.

... Petitioners

(By Sri.Prakash B. Angadi, Advocate)

And:

The State of Karnataka, Rep. by the SPP, Through Marihal Police Station,

... Respondent

(By Sri.Anand Navalgimath, HCGP)

This criminal petition is filed u/S.439 of Cr.P.C seeking to enlarge the petitioners on bail in Marihal P.S. Crime No.22/2011 for an offence p/u/s. 143, 147, 353, 332, 307 r/w. 149 of IPC and Sec. 32 & 34 of Karnataka Excise Act on the file of the I-Addl. JMFC, Court, Belgaum.

This petition coming on for orders this day, the Court made the following:

ORDER

Heard the petitioners' counsel and the learned High Court Government Pleader for the respondent State in respect of the bail sought by the petitioner who along with other accused persons are accused of having committed offences punishable under Sections 143, 147, 148 353, 332, 307 read with Section 149 of the IPC and Section 32 & 34 of the Karnataka Excise Act

2. The prosecution case in short is that, the Excise Inspector along with others was proceeding in vehicle on Karvi Village on 17.02.2011 to conduct Excise raid and when



they were proceeding to destroy the illicit liquor, about 30 to 35 persons attacked them with sticks, stones and rods and on account of the said incident some of the Excise staff were injured.

- 3. The Submission of the petitioners' counsel is that, except the offence under Section 307 of the IPC, rest of the offence alleged are bailable and in respect of the offence under Section 307 of the IPC, the injuries sustained are not serious and in fact no one is injured in the incident and therefore the bail be granted.
- 4. Submission of the learned High Court Government Pleader for the respondent State is that, the number of accused persons are involved in the alleged offence and therefore, petitioners be declined bail.
- 5. Having thus heard both sides, taking note of the nature of the offence alleged and submission being made that the name of the petitioners are not mentioned in the FIR, taking all these facts into account the petitioners can be



released on bail by imposing conditions. Hence, I pass the following order:

ORDER

- i) Petitioners shall be released on bail on each of them executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- with two sureties for the like sum to the satisfaction of the trial court.
- ii) Petitioners shall not tamper with the evidence and shall not give threat to the prosecution witnesses in any manner.
- iii) Petitioners shall mark attendance before the jurisdictional police station on every Sunday between 10.00 a.m and 5.00 p.m.
- iv) Petitioners shall not involve themselves in like offences in future.
- v) Petitioners shall not leave their place without prior permission of the jurisdictional Magistrate.

Sd/**-**JUDGE

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