

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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Criminal Misc. No.M-1196 of 2015

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Date of decision:23.1.2015

Jaswant Singh

...Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

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Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Inderjit Singh

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Present: Mr. Ashok Kumar Sama, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Varun Sharma, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent-State.

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Inderjit Singh, J.

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.144 dated 24.9.2014 (Annexure-P.1) registered for the offences under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B and 511 IPC at Police Station City Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

Notice of motion to Advocate General, Punjab.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Varun Sharma, learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab put in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab opposed the bail petition and stated that keeping in view the serious nature and gravity of

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allegations against the petitioner, he is not entitled to the benefit of bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab appearing for the respondent-State and have gone through the record.

As per the prosecution version, the allegations against the petitioner along with other co-accused are that they attempted to take loan from the Bank by impersonating and on the basis of forged documents. Loan has not been taken in this case, but only attempt was made. The offences are triable by the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class.

The petitioner is in custody since 11.10.2014. The petitioner is not required for interrogation or investigation purposes as he is in judicial custody. Nothing is to be recovered from him. The trial of the case will take long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Therefore, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing personal bond in the sum of ₹50,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

January 23, 2015.

(Inderjit Singh)
Judge

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