

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRM No.M-22127 of 2015

Date of decision: 17.07.2015

Gurjeet Singh @ Raju

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Navjeet Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Harsimrat Rai, DAG, Punjab
assisted by ASI Bikkar Singh.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By filing the present petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought regular bail in case FIR No.05, dated 20.08.2013, registered under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, at Police Station NRI, Jagraon, District Ludhiana (Rural).

It is contended that the bail applications of similarly situated co-accused Binder Singh and Ranjit Singh have been allowed by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court. The petitioner is in custody since 21.11.2013. All the offences are triable by the Magistrate.

On the other hand, the learned State counsel opposes the bail and states that the petitioner is involved in another four FIRs. The challan stands presented; charges have been framed and out of total 23 witnesses, seven have been examined.

Heard.

Keeping in view the fact that its being a magisterial trial; the co-accused have already been enlarged on bail by this Court and the petitioner is in custody since 21.11.2013, therefore, it can be safely inferred that the trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future. Without adverting to the merits of the instant case, this petition is allowed. The petitioner be admitted to bail during the pendency of the trial, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

17.07.2015

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE