

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

**Criminal Misc.No.M-25386 of 2015 (O&M)**  
**Date of decision: 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2015**

Jaswinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH**

Present: Mr. Kamaljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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**INDERJIT SINGH, J.**

Petitioner has preferred the instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C., seeking regular bail in case FIR No.05 dated 10.01.2015, registered at Police Station Balianwali, District Bathinda, under Section 420 IPC and Section 4/5 of Prize Chit and Money CIR Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Simsi Dhir Malhotra, DAG, Punjab has accepted notice and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

The allegations are based on the application dated 18.02.2014 and the FIR has been registered on 10.01.2015. As per allegations, the petitioner alongwith other co-accused was running Lucky Draw Scheme. The offences are triable by the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate. The petitioner is not required for any investigation or interrogation purposes. The challan has not been

presented so far. The presentation of challan and the trial of the case will take long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the disposal of the case.

Therefore, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case and without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merit of the case, the present petition is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds in the sum of ₹25,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bathinda.

**10<sup>th</sup> August , 2015**  
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**(INDERJIT SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**