

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CRM-M No.28997 of 2015

Date of Decision:-07.09.2015

Harpal Singh.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab.

.....Respondent.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. J.S. Jaidka, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Sidhu, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

JASWANT SINGH, J.(ORAL)

Prayer is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.PC to the petitioner-Harpal Singh in case FIR No.109 dated 23.09.2014 for offences punishable under Section 12 of Passport Act, 1967 and Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 & 120-B of Indian Penal Code registered with Police Station Raikot, District Ludhiana Rural.

As per allegations the petitioner has obtained a passport on forged and fake particulars after his previous passport had expired.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is in custody since 16.07.2015 and the recovery of the passport has been made as also the investigation qua the petitioner are over.

Learned State Counsel on instructions from HC Gurmail Singh concedes that the investigation qua petitioner are over, however, co-accused

who had facilitated the fake documents qua him PO proceedings have been initiated under Section 82 Cr.PC.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, keeping in view the fact that investigation qua this petition is over and conclusion of trial is likely to take sometime, no useful purpose is going to be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars. As such the present petition is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate, Ludhiana.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

September 07, 2015
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