

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Misc. No. M-41422 of 2014
Date of decision : 10.04.2015

Pardeep Kumar

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. L.S. Mann, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr. V.P.S. Sidhu, AAG Punjab

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J. (ORAL)

Crl. Misc. No. 11555 of 2015

Application is allowed and accompanied documents are taken on record.

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The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 183 dated 14.10.2013, registered at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar under Section 406, 420 IPC.

Heard.

The police has challaned the petitioner and now supplementary challan has been filed against Usha Sharma, sister of the petitioner. The allegations against them are that they were cheating the people and had promised job and had defrauded the people of over Rs. 10 lacs.

Usha Sharma had been engaged by Zero Mass Company and they were opening accounts for the State Bank of India. Several complaints started pouring and the FIR was registered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that Usha

Sharma was granted interim bail and she has finally been released on regular bail. He states that though the petitioner has been declared proclaimed offender but it was during the period when his application for anticipatory bail was pending. Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to Annexure P-3 and P-4. He further submits that the petitioner is in custody for over 7 months and the case is triable by Magistrate.

The period of custody has not been disputed by the State.

The case is still at the stage of filing of supplementary challan against Usha Sharma. Challan against the petitioner has been presented.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and considering the fact that the trial will take time, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing adequate bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Ilqa Magistrate.

April 10, 2015

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**(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE**