

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-41746 of 2015
Date of Decision:-15.12.2015**

Harbhajan Singh alias Bhajan

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. *Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
2. *To be referred to reporters or not?*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Mr. Gaurave Bhayyia Gilhotra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurinderjit Singh, Deputy A.G., Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of **regular bail** to the petitioner in case FIR No.45 dated 12.3.2002, under Sections 420, 465, 471, 472, 511 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar, Rupnagar, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that apart from the fact that petitioner is in custody since 4.8.2015 because of P.O. proceedings, the other co-accused have been acquitted.

Learned State counsel filed the custody certificate of the petitioner. As per custody certificate, two other FIRs i.e. FIR No.146

dated 29.7.2008, under Sections 420, 464, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station City, Hoshiarpur and FIR No.7 of 2001, under Sections 420, 467, 468 and 411 IPC, registered at Police Station Amloh the petitioner is facing the trial, though on bail.

Taking into consideration the fact that other co-accused have been acquitted and the petitioner is in custody since 4.8.2015, the instant petition for regular bail is hereby **allowed**. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing personal bond of heavy amount/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court, Roopnagar.

However, in case the petitioner is found to be indulged in any other case, the prosecution is at liberty to seek the cancellation of bail of the petitioner.

December 15, 2015
Vijay Asija

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE