

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

CRM-M No. 12508 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 25.04.2016

Rakesh Kumar Duggal

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. R.K. Bajaj, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mz. Rimplejeet Kaur, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by HC Kulwant Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J.

Prayer in this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, is for grant of regular bail on behalf of the petitioner/accused-Rakesh Kumar Duggal in case FIR No. 211, dated 31.10.2015, for offences punishable under Sections 420, 406, 506, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code and Section 24 of Immigration Act, registered at Police Station 8, Jalandhar.

Petitioner/accused-Rakesh Kumar Duggal alongwith his co-accused wife and son are alleged to have received a sum of Rs. 9 lacs for sending the complainant-Mohd. Suleman Haidar and his two cousins to Macau for securing a job. The complainant party was, no doubt, taken to Macau, but for lack of work permits, they were deported back. The money was also not refunded.

Learned counsel for the parties heard.

It is contended that the challan stands presented and the trial is likely to take sometime, therefore, the prayer is for grant of regular bail.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by HC Kulwant Singh, submits that the stands established that a sum of Rs. 3,04,000/- was deposited in the bank accounts of the petitioner-accused and another sum of Rs. 50,000/- in the account of his co-accused-wife. It is also submitted that both the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail, however, the petitioner being the main accused and indulging in human trafficking, is not entitled to the concession of regular bail.

Keeping in view the nature of allegations i.e. indulging in human trafficking, no case for grant of regular bail to the petitioner at this stage is made out.

Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed.

April 25, 2016

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JUDGE