

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

**CRM No.M-13150 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.05.2016**

Darshan Singh ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab ... Respondent

CRM No.M-13731 of 2016 (O&M)

Ranjit Singh ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab ... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Dr. Anmol Rattan Sidhu, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM No.M-13150 of 2016.

Mr. Aminder Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM No.M-13731 of 2016.

Mr. K.D.Sachdeva, Additional A.G.Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

This order shall dispose of CRM Nos. M-13150 of 2016 titled as Darshan Singh Vs. State of Punjab and CRM No.M-13731 of 2016 titled as Ranjit Singh Vs. State of Punjab as both these petitions have been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. and arising out of the FIR No.03 dated 27.11.2014, under Sections 420/ 406/ 467/ 468/ 471/ 120-B of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station NRI Sangrur, District Sangrur raising prayer for grant of benefit of regular bail to the petitioner(s) herein pending trial.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

Complainant in the present case is Gurjant Singh. Allegations primarily are with regard to a fake and forged lease agreement having been set up in respect of a parcel of land. Genesis of the dispute is with regard to running of two academies, namely, Akal Sahai Academy and Puri Medical Institute Research Education Technology Society.

Main accused is non-applicant, namely, Tarsem Singh Puri who was to be the beneficiary of such alleged lease agreement.

Accusations are that the lease deed carry the signatures of Gurjant Singh and which are forged.

It may be noticed that even though there are direct allegations against Darshan Singh i.e. petitioner in CRM No.M-13150 of 2015, insofar as Ranjit Singh i.e. petitioner in CRM No.M-13731 of 2016 he concededly is not even a beneficiary insofar as the allegedly forged lease agreement is concerned. His role is confined only with regard to three cheques having been handed over to him by main accused Tarsem Singh Puri.

Darshan Singh has been in custody since 23.07.2015.

Ranjit Singh has faced incarceration since 26.09.2015.

Offences are triable by the Court of Magistrate. Investigation has already been completed, challan has been presented and even charges have been framed.

Court has been apprised that the trial is at the very initial stage and would take time to conclude.

Without making any observations on merits and keeping in view the length of incarceration already suffered, both the

petitioner(s) in these two connected petitions are held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petitions are allowed. Petitioner(s) be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Sangrur.

Disposed of.

13.05.2016

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**