

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

**CRM-M No.14753 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 09.05.2016**

Nachhatar Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Aman Pal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Yashwinder Singh, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana
for the respondent/State assisted by A.S.I. Dharam Pal.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Present petition is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner/accused-Nachhatar Singh in case FIR No.156 dated 10.11.2015, under Sections 409, 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code and (Section 13(1) of the Prevention of Corruption Act added later on), registered with Police Station Ismailabad, District Kurukshetra.

The name of the petitioner has surfaced in the investigation, who used to purchase the stolen wheat bags from the FCI Godown during period 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 from the co-accused officials of the F.C.I. Department.

The petitioner is stated to be in custody since 05.02.2016 and after completion of the investigation, challan stands presented. The evidence of 14 cited prosecution witnesses is yet to commence.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by ASI Dharam Pal, does not dispute the custody period and stage of the trial.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, keeping in view the custody period and the fact that trial is not likely to be concluded in near future, this Court finds that petitioner/accused deserves the concession of regular bail and as such he is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

Disposed of.

May 09, 2016
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(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE