

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

CRM-M No. 17387 of 2016

Date of decision : September 09, 2016

Parveen Sharma,

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Yogesh Chaudhary, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. RS Randhawa, Addl. AG Punjab

Ajay Tewari, J (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No.102, dated 29.4.2015, registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120B of the IPC, at Police Station Shimlapuri, District Ludhiana.

In compliance with the order of this Court dated 23.8.2016, affidavit of Jatinder Singh Aulakh, Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana has been filed. It has been mentioned in the affidavit that ADCP-2 conducted an inquiry wherein it was revealed that one Rajinder Singh was the Verifying Officer of the complainant-bank but he was falsely

found to be innocent by SHO/Inspector Gurbachan Singh and ASI

Chaman Lal (IO). Departmental proceedings have been initiated against those officers and now a SIT consisting of ADCP City II, ACP Atam Nagar and SHO, Police Station Shimlapuri Ludhiana has been constituted to conduct investigation within two weeks regarding the role of the Verifying Officer.

Reverting to the plea of bail of the petitioner, counsel for the petitioner has argued that he has now been in custody since 28.12.2015 and with the new development which has now come on record, the trial which is as yet not started is likely to be further delayed and in these circumstances, the petitioner should be released on bail.

Learned Addl. AG Punjab, on instructions from ASI Balbir Singh, has accepted these factual assertions.

In these circumstances, without commenting upon the merits of the case, and keeping in view the period of custody already suffered by the petitioner, I do not deem it appropriate to deny the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Bail to the satisfaction of the CJM/Duty Magistrate, Ludhiana. Petition stands disposed of.

September 09, 2016

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**(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether Reportable:**

**Yes/No
Yes/No**