

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

**C.R.M-M No.19394 of 2016
Date of Decision : 25.07.2016**

Major Singh

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Amit Kumar Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Pannu, Deputy Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.168 dated 26.11.2007 registered under Sections 406, 420 IPC, at Police Station Khamanon, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that after the FIR was lodged, the petitioner was declared innocent and went abroad in the year 2009. On an application moved under Section 319 Cr.P.C. in 2012, the petitioner was summoned as Additional accused but since he was abroad he had no knowledge thereof. He came back to India on 03.03.2016 and now been in custody since 03.03.2016 and during this interregnum, the

co-accused have been released on bail.

Learned Deputy Advocate General on instructions from Head Constable Avtar Singh has accepted this factual assertion but states that since the petitioner had gone abroad once he may not again abscond.

Keeping in view the above facts, I deem it appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, which would apart from surety keep the passport of the petitioner in its/his custody.

Ordered accordingly.

Petition stands allowed.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable Yes/No

July 25, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE