

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

Crl. Misc. No. M-28970 of 2016

Date of Decision:15.09.2016

AMRITPAL SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present:- Mr.H.S.Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.Gurinderjit Singh, DAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer made in the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.107, dated 05.05.2016 for offence under Sections 489-B/489-C of IPC, registered at Police Station, Kotwali, District-Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegation against the petitioner is of recovery of counterfeit currency notes (2000 U.S. Dollars) and veracity of the alleged recovery is to be determined only on the receipt of FSL report. He further submits that so far as the offence under Section 489-C is concerned, that offence in itself is bailable offence. The petitioner is in custody since 08.05.2016 and there is no other case against him except the present one.

Learned counsel for the State on instructions from ASI-Jaswant Singh, does not dispute the fact that FSL report is awaited.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Keeping in view the fact that the FSL report is still awaited, coupled with the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 08.05.2016 and trial in the case will take sufficient long time to conclude, I deem it appropriate to allow the present petition for grant of regular bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

It is also made clear that expression made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the trial Court shall be at liberty to decide the case on the basis of available evidence.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

15.09.2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No