

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

CRM No. M-29328 of 2016

Date of decision:- August 29, 2016

Monu Kumar

.....Petitioner..

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent..

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present:- Mr. Prashant Vashisth, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. RPS Sidhu, AAG, Punjab.

JASPAL SINGH, J. (Oral)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, petitioner-Monu Kumar has sought regular bail in case FIR No.105, dated 30.10.2014, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, Police Station Dugri, Ludhiana City, during the pendency of trial.

2. The only allegation against the present petitioner is that he had signed the agreement of sale dated 22.02.2013 as a vendor whereas his co-accused Jatinder Singh, a property dealer by profession, received a sum of Rs.2 lacs from the complainant, which were further handed over by him to Rachpal Singh.

3. Co-accused Jatinder Singh has already been granted the

concession of bail by Id. Additional Session Judge, Ludhiana vide order dated 08.05.2015. The petitioner was arrested on 05.07.2016 and since then he is suffering incarceration in the judicial lock-up.

3. In the given circumstances, he is no more required for further interrogation. Otherwise also, investigation is still in progress and report under Section 173 (2) Cr.P.C. has not been presented so far. Thus, presentation of challan and its disposal will take sufficient long time. As such, this Court is of the considered view that no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars for an indefinite period.

4. Taking into consideration all the aforesaid aspects of this case but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, petition is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, during pendency of trial, at the satisfaction of trial court/Duty Magistrate.

August 29, 2016
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reasonable: Yes/No