

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

**CRM No. M-34865 of 2016
DECIDED ON: OCTOBER 18, 2016**

BALWINDER SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. Balbir Singh Jaswal, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

 Mr. B.S. Cheema, DAG, Punjab.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Section 439 Cr.P.C., petitioner (Balwinder Singh son of Gulzar Singh) has sought bail in case FIR No. 197 dated 06.07.2013 under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, District Amritsar.

Allegations against the petitioner are that he attested the sale deed dated December 08, 2010 executed by Harpal Singh being the attorney of Tripta Devi in favour of Gurdarshan Kaur. The power of attorney is alleged to be a forged and fabricated document but the petitioner is neither the signatory nor attesting witness of the said power of attorney. He only attested the sale deed and identified the vendor. The another attesting witness of the above-referred sale deed has already been granted the concession of pre-arrest bail by this Court vide order dated September 26, 2016 passed in CRM No. M-33130 of 2016.

Petitioner was arrested on November 24, 2015 and after subjecting to custodial interrogation, he was remanded to judicial custody. Since the date of his arrest he is cooling his heels behind the bars. Report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. has already been presented and disposal thereof, would take sufficient long time.

Taking in to consideration all the afore-said aspects, 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.

In view of above, instant petition is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail at the satisfaction of learned trial Court.

OCTOBER 18, 2016
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable *Yes/No*