

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

CRM-M No.39526 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 14.03.2016

Manjit Singh Rattu

..... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. L.S.Lakhanpal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by ASI Sarabjit Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. to the petitioner-Manjit Singh Rattu in case FIR No.404 dated 24.09.2014 for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 406, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered with Police Station Nakodar, District Jalandhar City (**Annexure P-1**).

As per the allegations, the petitioner had demanded and received a sum of Rs.8 Lacs for sending the complainant-Amrik Singh to U.S.A. on Immigration Visa. A sum of Rs.2 Lacs are stated to have been refunded by the co-accused Kashmir Singh and Rs.6 Lacs remain.

After a contact had been made on the Internet, the petitioner/accused is alleged to have posed as an Advocate in the U.S.A.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that a sum of Rs.8 Lacs was never received and neither the Passport was ever deposited with the petitioner/accused. He further submits that initially the allegations were levelled against three persons, however, on inquiry, two of the alleged co-accused have since been found innocent, therefore, false case has been foisted upon the petitioner.

The petitioner is stated to be in custody since 16.04.2015.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by ASI Sarabjit Singh, submits that the petitioner is involved in such activities and there are six other FIRs and one complaint of similar nature against the petitioner.

Keeping in view the nature of the allegations and the criminal antecedents, no case for grant of regular bail to the petitioner is made out.

The contentions being raised are matter of trial.

After arguing for sometime, learned Counsel for the petitioner/accused wishes to withdraw the present petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

March 14, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**