

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

**CRM-M No.42042 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.02.2016**

Ranjit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Sunil K. Nehra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana
for the respondent/State assisted by ASI Parmod Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Present petition is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner/accused in case FIR No.24 dated 17.02.2015, under Sections 406/420 of the Indian Penal Code, registered with Police Station Mullana, District Ambala.

As per the allegations, *inter alia*, the petitioner is the sole Proprietor of M/s Jai Maa Sharda Rice Mill, Village Fatehpur, Naraingarh and had misappropriated 561 M.T. of Rice (after de-husking of paddy) and not supplied the same to the Food and Supply Department, worth to the tune of Rs.2 Crores approximately.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and he is in custody since 17.02.2015. The case is triable by a Magistrate.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by ASI Parmod Singh, submits that 01 out of total 21 prosecution witnesses has since been examined.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, keeping in view custody period, the facts as noticed above and that trial is not likely to be concluded in near future, this Court finds that petitioner/accused deserves the concession of regular bail and as such he is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

Disposed of.

February 11, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**