

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

CRM-M No. 4931 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 17.02.2016

Puran Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Jasdeep Singh Gill, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mz. Rimplejeet Kaur, AAG, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by HC Gulzar Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Prayer is for grant of regular bail on behalf of the accused-petitioner in case FIR No. 67, dated 04.04.2015, for offences punishable under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Jalandhar, District Jalandhar City.

The petitioner alongwith four other co-accused/non-applicants are alleged to have induced three complainants, namely, Surjit Kaur, Amarvir and Gursharan Singh for a total sum of Rs. 21,40,000/- for sending them/their wards to Canada.

It is contended that apart from the merits of case, the case is triable by a Magistrate and the petitioner is stated to be in custody since 02.12.2015. It is further contended that after completion of the investigation, challan qua the petitioner has been presented.

Learned State Counsel, on instructions for HC Gulzar Singh, is unable to refute the aforesaid factual situation, however, she points out that the petitioner is involved in another similar case/FIR.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, keeping in view the facts noticed above and custody period of the petitioner, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner/accused in custody since the trial is not likely to be concluded in near future, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Jalandhar.

February 17, 2016

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(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE