

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

**CRM-M No.693 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.02.2016**

Baljinder Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mz. Rimplejeet Kaur, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by ASI Devender Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Present petition is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. to the petitioner in case FIR No.171 dated 26.11.2015, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 of the Indian Penal Code, registered with Police Station Model Town, Ludhiana City.

As per the allegations, the petitioner while working as Peon in the Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana along with his co-accused, namely, Anil Kumar and another Anil Kumar son of Ram Kishan were involved in preparation of the forged Birth Certificates and selling the same by affixing original holograms of the Municipal Corporation.

It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and is in custody since 26.11.2015 and investigations qua him are over. It is further submitted that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and the case is triable by a Magistrate.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by ASI Devender Singh, is unable to refute the custody period and the fact that after completion of the investigation, challan has been presented. She further submits that there are 13 cited prosecution witnesses.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, keeping in view the custody period, the fact that case is triable by a Magistrate and 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 regular bail subject to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

Disposed of.

February 11, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**