

Sr. No.219

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-11034 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision:05.04.2017

Bakhshish Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Kiran Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Varun Sharma, AAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.61 dated 19.05.2013, under Sections 406, 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Kartarpur, Jalandhar.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

Briefly noticed, FIR came to be registered on the statement of Amrit Pal Singh on the allegations that he had been duped of a sum of Rs.8,65,000/- by the petitioner on the pretext of sending him abroad.

Petitioner had been granted bail by the competent Court on 10.10.2013. He, however, having abstained from trial proceedings was declared a proclaimed offender on 17.02.2016.

Petitioner was arrested on 31.07.2016 and is in custody since then.

Even though the petitioner had misused the concession of bail yet this Court is of the considered view that he is entitled to the concession

of bail.

Petitioner is stated to be a senior citizen aged 67 years. He has now faced incarceration since 31.07.2016.

After framing of charges, two prosecution witnesses including the complainant have already been examined before the trial Court. It is not the case made out on behalf of the State that petitioner if granted benefit of bail would be in a position to intimidate the witnesses and interfere in the course of free and fair trial.

Without making any observations on merits, petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petition is allowed. Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Jalandhar.

Disposed of.

05.04.2017

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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable

No