

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

**CRM No.M-40326 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision:20.01.2017**

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... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

... Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. Gobind Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Satish Saini, DAG, Haryana.

Mr. ADS Sukhija, Advocate for the complainant/HDFC bank.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

This order shall dispose of the instant petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking benefit of regular bail to the petitioner pending trial in case FIR No.39, dated 26.01.2016, under Sections 420/406/467/468/471/120-B IPC, registered at Police Station City Jind, District Jind.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

FIR in question was lodged on a complaint having been filed by HDFC bank, branch Jind as regards as many as 37 customers having duped the bank in connivance with each other and thereby on the strength of fake and forged documents having secured cash credit limits.

The present petitioner was arrested on 23.08.2016.

During the course of arguments, it has gone uncontroverted that the present petitioner did not avail of any cash credit limit. The final investigation report/challan submitted qua the present petitioner would indicate that the role of the petitioner was that of a typist and who had typed

out certain documents which has facilitated, co-accused, Ashish Bansal to secure two cash credit limit of Rs.40 lacs each.

Trial qua the present petitioner is at the very initial stage and would take time to conclude.

The petitioner has faced incarceration for the period of almost 5 months.

It is not the case made out on behalf of the State that the present petitioner, if granted, the benefit of bail would be in a position to hamper the course of a free and fair trial.

For the reasons recorded above, the prayer made in the instant petition is accepted. Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Jind.

Disposed of.

20.01.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | No |