

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

CRM-M-4270-2017 (O&M)

Date of decision:14.02.2017

Mukesh J.E.

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

... Respondent

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

Present: Mr. R.S. Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. C.S. Bakhshi, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.42, dated 24.11.2016, under Sections 7/13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, registered at Police Station SVB Rohtak.

Counsel for the parties have been heard at length.

Petitioner is stated to be holding the post of J.E. under the Public Health Department, State of Haryana.

Allegations against the petitioner are of having accepted a bribe amount of Rs.6000/- to facilitate preparation of bills of a particular contractor.

Petitioner was arrested on 24.11.2016.

Investigation in the case is complete and the challan has already been presented. Charges are yet to be framed. Prosecution evidence is yet to be led. Trial is stated to be at the very initial stage.

It is not the case made out on behalf of the State that the petitioner would be in a position to hamper a free and fair trial, if granted benefit of bail. In the considered view of this Court, no useful purpose

would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody.

Without making any observations on merit, prayer is allowed.

Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty

Magistrate, Sonapat.

Disposed of.

14.02.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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