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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.42747 of 2017
Date of Decision: 24.11.2017

Gurlal Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. S.S. Ranghi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed by the petitioner Gurlal Singh under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking regular bail in case F.I.R. No. 108, dated 15.05.2017, registered under Sections 420, 489-B, 489-C and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, at Police Station Patran, District Patiala.

2. It is contended, *inter alia*, that the only material available against the petitioner is that fake currency notes amounting to ₹10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) were recovered from him. This amounts to an offence under Section 489-C of the Indian Penal Code, which is bailable.

3. There is no allegation or material to indicate that the petitioner tried to pass off the money seized from him as genuine, or that any machinery etc. to indicate that he is involved in the making of forged currency notes is available.

4. Considering the long detention undergone by the petitioner, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner, namely Gurlal Singh son of Baldev Singh, is directed to be released on regular bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court.

24.11.2017

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/ No