

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

CRL. MISC. No.M-45427 OF 2017
DATE OF DECISION : 5th DECEMBER, 2017

Kulwinder Singh Sodhi

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. B. CHAUDHARI

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Present : Mr. Surinder Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr. D.A.G. Punjab.

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A. B. CHAUDHARI, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail in FIR No.23 dated 09.11.2017 registered under Sections 7, 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Ferozepur District Ferozepur.

Heard learned counsel for the rival parties.

Custody certificate filed by the State is taken on record.

Learned State counsel submits that there is no other case pending against the petitioner.

The petitioner was arrested on 09.11.2017 and is in jail since then as under trial. The prosecution case against the petitioner is that the petitioner was arrested with the bribe amount of ₹8,000/-. The trial will take its own time.

Looking to the fact that there is no other case reported/pending against the petitioner and the trial will take time for

disposal, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the detention of the petitioner in jail pending trial. In that view of the matter, I make the following order:

ORDER

- (i) CRL. MISC. No.M-45427 OF 2017 is allowed.
- (ii) The petitioner be released on bail to the satisfaction of the concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate.

5th DECEMBER, 2017
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(A. B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>