

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

**CRM-M-12713-2018
Date of decision: 03.04.2018**

Harbhajan Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Sarju Puri, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mrs. Anju Arora, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 19 dated 30.06.2013, under Sections 498-A and 406 of the IPC at Police Station NRI, District Hoshiarpur.

It is contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case and his parents have already been acquitted. In fact, the petitioner was residing in Dubai at the time when the instant FIR was got registered and on return to India, he was arrested. It is also contended that the petitioner is ready to face the trial.

Mrs. Anju Arora, Addl. A.G., Punjab, has appeared on behalf of respondent-State and contested the bail application. She opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner, however, is not in a position to dispute the fact that parents of the petitioner have been acquitted and the petitioner was a resident of Dubai at the time of registration of the FIR.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since the petitioner is in custody since 09.02.2018; his parents have been acquitted and he is ready to face the trial, no useful purpose would be served in keeping him in custody furthermore. Hence, the present petition is accepted. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds and **heavy surety and depositing of his original passport** to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

However, any opinion expressed herein is for the purpose of grant of regular bail and not an opinion on the merits of the case.

03.04.2018

Waseem Ansari

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No