

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARAYANA AT CHANDIGARH
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CRM-M-12784-2018

Date of decision:03.04.2018

Parminder Singh

...PETITIONER

Vs.

State of Punjab

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Abhishek Singla, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Sr. Deputy Advocate General, Punjab,
for the State.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court for grant of regular bail in FIR No. 141 dated 06.10.2017 under Sections 420, 120-B, 465, 468, 471 IPC, registered at Police Station Balachaur, District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.

It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the role, which has been attributed to the petitioner, is that the petitioner had stated that his nephew Ramandeep Singh was the owner of the property. He contends that apart from this, the petitioner had also given an endorsement with regard to the extension of execution of the registration of the property in question. Petitioner is in custody since 20.12.2017 and the challan has been presented but till date, the charge has not been framed. Counsel contends that the case against the petitioner is purely based upon the documentary evidence and, therefore, the continuation of the petitioner in

custody would not serve any purpose especially when the trial is not likely to conclude soon. Prayer has, thus, been made for grant of concession of regular bail.

On the other hand, counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Hussan Lal, submits that the petitioner is a person who was instrumental in convincing the complainant that his nephew Ramandeep Singh is the owner of the property. Not only this, the petitioner is an endorser for enlargement of the time for execution of the sale deed on two occasions. He, however, could not dispute the fact that the petitioner is not the direct beneficiary of the agreement to sell.

Having considered the submissions made by the counsel for the parties and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 20.12.2017 and the trial is not likely to conclude soon, the present application is allowed. The petitioner is directed to be released on bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

April 03, 2018*pj***(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE****Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No****Whether Reportable: Yes/No**