

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

**CRM-M No.16238 of 2018
Decided on: 31.05.2018**

Munish Aggarwal

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present : Mr. Vikas Mor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Abhay Pal Singh Gill, AAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.65 dated 27.02.2018 (Annexure P1), for offence punishable under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code (in short 'IPC'), registered at Police Station Division No.5, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana.

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is in judicial lock up since 09.03.2018, though the case is still under investigation, and the petitioner is no more required for any further custodial interrogation. It is further submitted that 04 of the co-accused of the petitioner have already been granted the concession of regular bail by the Additional Sessions Judge and has relied upon the order dated 15.05.2018 granting bail to one of the co-accused namely Gurpreet Singh. It is also submitted that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and it will take some time in conclusion of the trial.

Counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Malkiat

Ram, has not disputed the factual position that 04 of the co-accused of the petitioner have already been granted the concession of regular bail but opposed the prayer for bail.

Without commenting anything on merits of the case and considering the fact that the petitioner is in judicial lock up since 09.03.2018; he is no more required for any further custodial interrogation; his co-accused have already been granted the concession of regular bail; he is not involved in any other case and conclusion of the trial is likely to take some, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

However, it will be open for the prosecution to apply for cancellation of bail, if the petitioner is found misusing the concession of bail, in any manner.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No