

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH.

CRM-M-21579 of 2018
Date of Decision: 24.5.2018

Harsimrat Singh

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURINDER GUPTA

Present: Ms. Satwant Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

SURINDER GUPTA, J.(Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.08 dated 19.04.2018 registered for offences punishable under Sections 7, 13 (2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Range Amritsar, District Amritsar.

Heard.

On the complaint about demand of bribe by the petitioner, a trap was laid and petitioner was caught red handed. Tainted currency of ₹10,000/-, which he had accepted as bribe, was recovered from drawer of his table. He was arrested on 19.04.2018.

Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner had demanded bribe for forwarding application of complainant for getting medical report, which he had not forwarded to Civil Surgeon and kept the same with him.

Keeping in view the fact that recovery of tainted currency has already been effected from possession of the petitioner and that conclusion

of investigation and then trial will take considerably long time, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner-Harsimrat Singh is ordered to be released on regular bail on furnishing bail bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, subject to following terms:-

- (a) The petitioner shall comply with the conditions mentioned in Section 437(3) Cr.P.C.
- (b) In the event of his absence on any date of hearing, the benefit of bail allowed to the petitioner shall stand withdrawn. The trial Court shall be competent to cancel his bail bond and surety bond and proceed to procure his presence in accordance with law. In that eventuality the petitioner shall have to apply for bail afresh.
- (c) He shall not leave the country without the previous permission of the Court.

May 24, 2018
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(SURINDER GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No