

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

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CRM-M No.3934 of 2018

Date of Decision: February 14th, 2018

Baljit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Joban Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Deepak Sharma, Advocate
for the complainant.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner-Baljit Singh, who is in custody since 18.11.2017.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the investigation in the case is still not complete. That apart, he asserts that the name of the petitioner does not figure in the FIR and even the opinion which has come forth after the investigation is that the petitioner is required to be called upon to join investigation. He, therefore, contends that no specific role has been attributed to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Manjit Singh, Police Station Morinda, District Rupnagar, states that the petitioner is one of the facilitators of the bogus transaction which has taken place and, therefore, should not be granted the concession of bail.

Counsel for the complainant also vehemently opposes the prayer of the petitioner.

Having considered the submissions made by the counsel for the parties and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner is in custody since

18.11.2017 and also in the light of the fact that co-accused of the petitioner, namely, Surmukh Singh and Kulwinder Kaur have been granted bail by this Court today in CRM-M-1035-2018 and CRM-M-46307-2017 respectively, the present petition is allowed.

Petitioner-Baljit Singh is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Rupnagar.

February 14th, 2018

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No