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

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Date of Decision:12.10.2018

Pardeep Khurmi

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Gaurav Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Sharda, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.06 dated 19.10.2016 under Sections 406, 420, 467, 468, 120-B IPC and Sections 4 & 5 of Money Circulation Scheme Banning Act, 1978, registered at Police Station State Crime, SAS Nagar.

Notice of motion has been issued. Learned State counsel has appeared and contested the instant petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and gone through the record.

From the record, I find that as per the FIR, there is allegation against the present petitioner that he used to maintain the account and used to send e-mails to main accused Jagjit Singh, MD, who is already absconding after grant of bail. The present petitioner was

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operating from Barnala alongwith co-accused Lalit Khurana, who has already been granted bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 20.07.2018 passed in CRM-M-18477-2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that co-accused in the similar circumstances have already been released on bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court and prayed for the release of the present petitioner on parity.

A perusal of record shows that challan has already been presented. Charges have already been framed and 16 witnesses have already been examined in the present case. Furthermore, the petitioner has been in custody since 25.12.2017. He is not required for any investigation or interrogation purposes as he is in judicial custody. The trial of case may take a long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts in minute detail; without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and on the ground of parity, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing personal bonds in the sum of ₹1 lakh with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

12.10.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

: Yes

: No