

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-44404 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 23.01.2018

Sushil Kumar

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Mr. Sunny Bhardwaj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak K. Grewal, D.A.G., Haryana.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (Oral)

This order shall dispose of the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C seeking the benefit of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.178 dated 01.7.2015 under sections 409, 420, 467, 468, 472, 201, 120-B I.P.C, registered at Police Station, Old Sabzi Mandi, Rohtak, District Rohtak.

Learned counsel for the parties have been heard.

Allegations against the petitioner as also other co-accused are that in connivance with certain revenue officials, compensation money towards acquisition has been misappropriated, even though, land of the accused herein had not been acquired.

Petitioner was arrested on 13.6.2017.

It has gone uncontroverted that this Court had granted bail to accused Bhagat Singh, who was a Patwari. This Court had also directed attachment of property of Patwari Bhagat Singh and which has since been done. Co-accused Pardeep and against whom there are similar allegations, has been granted benefit of bail by this Court in the light of order dated 8.11.2017, passed in CRM-M-40528-2017.

Investigation in the case is complete and the challan has been presented. Trial is stated to be at the initial stage and would take time to conclude.

In the considered view of this Court, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the completion of trial.

Hence I make the following order:-

- (i) The CRM-M-44404-2017 is allowed.
- (ii) The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of the concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate.
- (iii) The petitioner to surrender his passport with the trial court, if he possesses the same.
- (iv) The State to attach the property of the petitioner in accordance with law.

Petition disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

23.01.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No