IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Misc. No. M-49660-2018
Date of Decision: 20.11.2018

Manpreet Singh @ Manna

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Vikas Sonak, Advocate for
Mr. Amaninder Singh Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Sharda, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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Inderjit Singh, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Manpreet Singh @ Manna has filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.177 dated 07.08.2016, registered at Police Station City (Kotwali) Faridkot, District Faridkot, under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code.

Notice of motion has been issued.

Learned State counsel 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.

As per the prosecution version, co-accused Sukhwant Singh had received Rs.10 lakhs as earnest money, but had not executed the sale deed and there is another allegation against him that he had cheated some other person also. The allegation against the present petitioner is that this

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agreement to sell was executed in his presence and he had given the assurance regarding the execution of the sale deed.

The petitioner has been in custody since 27.02.2018. He is not required for any investigation or interrogation purposes as he is in judicial custody. All the offences are triable by the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class. The trial of the case may take 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 and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, 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 ₹40,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes
Whether reportable No

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