

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Misc. No. M-5103 of 2018

Date of Decision: February 15, 2018

Zile Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Rahul Deswal, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr. Munish Sharma, AAG, Haryana

Sudhir Mittal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 722 dated 02.06.2016, registered under Sections 406/409/420/467/468/471/477-A/120-B IPC at Police Station City, Panipat.

According to the allegations made in the FIR, a fraud was committed in the office of District Manager, Haryana Women Development Corporation, Panipat and subsidy meant for education of women was mis-appropriated into personal accounts. The persons mentioned in the FIR are the District Manager, the petitioner who was an Accounts Clerk as well as one Mehar Singh.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the District Manager viz. Surender Singh has been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 30.11.2017 and that Mehar Singh co-accused had also been granted regular bail on 30.01.2018. He contends that the petitioner has unblemished record and the FIR was registered after the retirement of the petitioner. Investigation in this case is complete and challan has also been filed and charges have been framed.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Ram Niwas submits that being an Accounts Clerk the petitioner was totally involved in the scam.

Keeping in view the fact that the District Manager has been granted regular bail by this Court and that the petitioner was working on the instructions of the said District Manager, I deem it just and appropriate to grant regular bail to the petitioner as well. The petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned.

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[SUDHIR MITTAL]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No