

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

**CRM-M No.9995 of 2018
Date of Decision : 20.04.2018**

Sunil Kumar @ Rinka

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present : Mr. Narinder S. Lucky, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent-State.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking regular bail on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.266 dated 28.08.2017, registered under Sections 379, 379-B of the Indian Penal Code (for short, 'the IPC') (later on added Sections 420, 467, 471, 120-B of the IPC) at Police Station City Barnala.

2. The petitioner was arrested on 28th August, 2017.
3. Investigation has since been completed and challan submitted.

4. The prayer for bail is however opposed on behalf of the State on the ground that the petitioner is a habitual criminal and professionally involved in offence of similar nature under Section 379 of the IPC and that he has already been convicted.

5. Be that at it may, detention of the present petitioner for an indefinite period at this stage considering the long detention already undergone by him would not appear to be justified particularly in view of the fact that the trial is yet to commence in the present case.

6. The petitioner may therefore be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court concerned subject to the condition that he shall report himself at the concerned Police Station once a week initially for a period of three months after which continuation of this condition shall be left to the discretion of the Ld. Trial Court.

7. Disposed off.

April 20, 2018
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(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No