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AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M No.181 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of decision : 14.01.2019

Surjeet @ Surjeet Singh

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Aditya Sanghi, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.85 dated 01.07.2017 registered under Sections 120-B/380/409/420/467/468/471 IPC, Section 138 of Electricity Act, 2003 and Sections 7/8/9/13 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 at Police Station Nathusari Chopta, District Sirsa, Haryana.

The allegations were that the petitioner who is a contractor has granted tube well connections to the farmers whereby causing loss to the tune of lakhs of rupees.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that in all nine cases were registered against the petitioner. The main acquisition is actually against the officials of the electricity department because it is they who could

authorize the release of the connections. The job of the petitioner was only

to affix the poles and wire as a contractor of the power utility and in 02 cases he had been released on bail because he has been in custody for the last about 15 months.

Learned Additional Advocate General on instructions from Inspector Jai Bhagwan has accepted these factual assertions.

Be that as it may, keeping in view the above facts and the period of incarceration already suffered by the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Ordered accordingly.

Petition stands allowed.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No