

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-11391-2019

Date of Decision: 20.03.2019

GURMEET SINGH

.. Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Vishal Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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Inderjit Singh, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Gurmeet Singh has filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.6 dated 04.02.2016, registered at Police Station Airport, District Amritsar (Punjab), under Sections 420 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.

From the record, I find that the present petitioner has not been named in the FIR. As per the allegations, passenger Rajbir Singh was apprehended at the airport with fake tourist Italy visa and he disclosed that he had taken this visa from one Sandeep Sidhu after paying ₹10 lacs. It is argued that Sandeep Sidhu is already on regular bail. Now, the allegation

against the present petitioner is that he has also conspired with co-accused and taken ₹4 lacs, which has been recovered from him.

The petitioner has been in custody since 14.01.2019. He is not required for any investigation or interrogation purposes as he is in judicial custody. The trial of the case may take long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping him 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 ₹50,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

20.03.2019

*Jasmine Kaur***(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No