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

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Date of Decision: 05.04.2019

Lal Khan @ Lali

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Bikramjeet Singh Jatana, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.149 dated 24.12.2015, registered at Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B (added later on) of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 4 and 5 of the Prize Chits and Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and gone through the record.

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From the record, I find that as per the FIR, there are serious allegations against present petitioner-Lal Khan @ Lali. It is stated in the FIR that the present petitioner had floated Khalsa Gift Enterprises and given membership to about 2000 persons and received Rs.1,300/- per month from every member.

There are serious allegations regarding cheating committed by the present petitioner. Perusal of record shows that the present petitioner is the main accused and serious allegations have been levelled against him in respect of cheating so many persons.

Learned counsel for the petitioner stated that co-accused have already made the payment of Rs.2,73,000/- to the complainants, but there are so many persons who have been cheated by floating this scheme.

Keeping in view the nature and gravity of the offence and in view of the fact that the petitioner may tamper with the evidence if the bail is granted to him, I do not find it a fit case where the petitioner is entitled to the benefit of regular bail.

Therefore, finding no merit in the present petition, the same is dismissed.

05.04.2019

parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No