

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA,
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-30191 of 2018 (O&M)

Decided on : 22.05.2019

Jaspal Singh @ Pala Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present : Mr.A.S.Ahluwalia, Advocate
for the petitioner.
Ms.Ruchika Sabharwal, AAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

Petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.70 dated 17.5.2013 under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468 and 120-B, IPC, registered at Police Station Nathana, Bathinda, District Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that allegations against the petitioner are that while working as assistant of the Patwari, the petitioner in connivance with other co-accused had fabricated the jamabandi, on the basis of which, a loan for a sum of Rs.3,65,000/- was sanctioned by the bank. He contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 01 month. He also contends that other co-accused have already been granted the concession of regular bail. He further contends that the petitioner had earlier been granted regular bail but he had absented from the proceedings before the trial Court as he was suffering from jaundice and was therefore declared proclaimed offender by the trial Court. He was re-arrested on 4.4.2018. Therefore, he is in custody for over 01 year and 01 month after his re-arrest. Earlier, he had spent two months in custody when he was granted concession of bail. He

undertakes that the petitioner will appear before the trial court on each and every date and will not evade his presence from the trial court proceedings.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Gurpreet Singh, states that out of 23, 01 witness has been examined.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 01 month, other co-accused have already been granted regular bail and conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant him regular bail.

Without expressing any opinion on merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL]
JUDGE

22.05.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No