

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-17302-2019 (O & M)
Date of Decision: December 02, 2019**

JASPAL SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

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

Mr. K.K. Bheniwala, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.162, dated 30.08.2018, under Sections 380, 420 (419, 465, 467, 468 and 471 added later on) of the Indian Penal Code ('IPC' - for short), registered at Police Station Division No.3, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he is alleged to have misappropriated a sum of ₹7,86,000/- by withdrawing the same from the account of the complainant. He further contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 03 months and FDRs jointly in the name of the petitioner and his wife for a sum of ₹25 lacs have been frozen in pursuance of the application moved by the police.

Learned State counsel states that 04 out of 11 prosecution witnesses have been examined. He has referred to the affidavit of Jasbinder Singh, PPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police (North), Jalandhar wherein it is mentioned that the accounts of the petitioner and his wife have been frozen which contained a sum of about ₹26 lacs.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 03 months and conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

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

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December 02, 2019

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