

Crl. Misc. No. M-35855 of 2018

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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DATE OF DECISION:30.01.2019

Jagpreet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

BEFORE:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE DAYA CHAUDHARY

Present:- Mr. PKS Phoolka, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

DAYA CHAUDHARY, J.

The present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. has been filed by petitioner, namely, Jagpreet Singh for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 77 dated 28.3.2018 registered under Sections 255/420/259/260/465/468/471 IPC at Police Station Rama, District Bathinda.

On the last date of hearing, the case was adjourned as the investigating officer of the case, who was material witness, was not examined. Today, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that all the material witnesses have been examined. Learned counsel further contends that out of total nine prosecution witnesses, statements of four prosecution witnesses including the investigating officer of the case have been recorded.

The petitioner is in custody since 28.3.2018; trial may take sometime to conclude and no purpose would be served by keeping him behind the bars.

Learned counsel for respondent-State has not disputed the custody period, stage of trial and examination of investigating officer of the case.

Without commenting anything on the merits of the case as well as by considering the custody of the petitioner since 28.3.2018 and also the facts that out of total nine prosecution witnesses, four material witnesses have been examined; trial may take some time to conclude and no purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner, namely, Jagpreet Singh is directed to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

January 30, 2019
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(DAYA CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No