

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

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Criminal Misc. No.M-23976 of 2019

Date of decision : 24.09.2019

Hardeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. L.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Banka, DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.104, dated 13.04.2019, under Section 395 IPC (Section 411 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Jandiala, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is mentioned that 15-20 persons had taken away 1800 bags of wheat from a godown after breaking open the locks. He also contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case due to political rivalry as he has contested the elections of the Punjab Legislative Assembly. The petitioner is 65 years of age and is in custody for over 05 months. He has also been falsely implicated in two other FIRs wherein he has not been named.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Kulwant Singh states that 874 bags of wheat were recovered from the petitioner.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is 65 years of age, he is in custody for over 05 months, he was not named in the FIR 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

September 24, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No