

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

CRM-M-31538-2019

Date of Decision: September 18, 2019

Rajbir Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. Keshav Pratap Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Mutreja, DAG, Haryana.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

Present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner – Rajbir Singh in case FIR No. 411, dated 28.08.2018, under Sections 170, 204, 406, 420, 120-B IPC and Sections 13(1)(c), 13(1)(d) and 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, registered at Police Station Sector 5, Panchkula.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that petitioner is in custody since 22.04.2019 and has been falsely implicated in this case as he was posted as Kanungo at the relevant time. Learned counsel also contended that co-accused Mohinder Singh Sangwan, who was posted as Land Acquisition Officer and was similarly placed, has already been released on bail as per order of this Court dated 08.05.2019 passed in CRM-M-4902-2019 (Annexure P/1).

Learned State counsel opposed the application for bail on the ground that the petitioner was the main official who was making report on

the basis of the record available with him and because of this wrong report, compensation was released to the farmers, thereby causing loss to the State.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties, at this stage, without commending anything on the merits of the case, which may not cause prejudice to either of the parties at a later stage, but taking the above facts into consideration and the fact the petitioner is in custody since 22.04.2019 and co-accused has been released on bail, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner – Rajbir Singh, is ordered to be admitted to regular bail on his furnishing adequate bail bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Judge/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

September 18, 2019
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(Shekher Dhawan)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No