

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

CRM-M-32763 of 2019

Date of Decision: 01.10.2019

Kuldeep Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. S.S. Grewal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking bail pending trial in case FIR No.49 dated 27.06.2019, under Sections 420, 471 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code registered at Police Station Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is in custody since 27.06.2019 and his co-accused, namely Dharminder Singh, has already been granted bail by this Court vide order dated 09.09.2019 passed in CRM-M-36746 of 2019. Further contends that allegations against the petitioner are similar to that of above co-accused and thus, treating the case on similar footing, he be released on bail.

The above factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Som Dutt.

Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paper book.

Concededly, the petitioner is in custody since 27.06.2019 and the co-accused namely, Dharminder Singh has already been granted the concession of bail pending trial by this Court. Thus, trial is likely to take a long time to be concluded and as such no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars any more.

In view of the abovesaid circumstances, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is allowed. Petitioner-Kuldeep Kumar be admitted to bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

However, it is made clear that above observations may not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merit of the case pending before learned trial Court.

[MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU]
JUDGE

October 01, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned	yes/no
Whether reportable?	yes/no