

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

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CRM-M-39807-2019.

Date of Decision: 25.09.2019.

Rajvir Singh

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. Parminder Singh-I, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

Present petition under Section 439 of the Criminal Procedure Code is for grant of regular bail to petitioner—Rajvir Singh son of Baldev Singh, in case F.I.R. No.96 dated 30.04.2019 under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, registered at Police Station Civil Lines Bathinda, District Bathinda.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.

Learned counsel the representing petitioner contended that the petitioner is in custody since 30.04.2019 and has been falsely implicated in the case. Moreso, material witnesses i.e. complainant Pritpal Singh and one Satpal Singh have already been as PW1 and PW3, who have not supported the prosecution case. Trial of the case still to take some more time and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind the bars, so he be released on bail.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Paramjit Singh, has not disputed the period of detention of the petitioner and the fact that PW1 and PW3 have not supported the prosecution case, but opposed the prayer for bail on the ground that remaining witnesses are yet to be examined.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case, which may not cause prejudice to either of the parties at a later stage of the trial and taking into consideration the above facts and the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 30.04.2019; trial of the case still to take some more time and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind the bars, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner—Rajvir Singh, is ordered to be admitted to regular bail on his furnishing adequate bail bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned learned trial Judge/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No