In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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Criminal Misc. No.M-55891 of 2018

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Date of decision:01.02.2019

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...Petitioner

v.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

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Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Inderjit Singh

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Present: Mr. Manoj Kumar Sood, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Tanuj Sharma, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana for the respondent-State.

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Inderjit Singh, J.

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.420 dated 20.7.2017 registered for the offences under Sections 420, 120-B and 506 IPC at Police Station City Palwal, District Palwal.

Notice of motion to Advocate General, Haryana.

Mr. Tanuj Sharma, learned Assistant Advocate General, Haryana has appeared on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

As per the allegations in the FIR, the present petitioner along

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with other co-accused floated a group in the name of Shri Narayan Das Enterprises wherein lucky draws were opened in the names of members of the group. There were 5100, 7100, 8100 and 11000 members in each group in whose names lucky draws were to be opened. They took 15 instalments of ₹1,000/- per person and they cheated people with crores of rupees. After completion of the instalments, winner of the lucky draw were not given any prize nor they were given the money deposited by them for the lucky draw. On 7.5.2017, about 100-125 people went to their house at Hassanpur, then the accused told them that after day if anyone of them came to their house they kill them.

Keeping in view the serious allegations against the accused, who are named in the FIR, including the preset petitioner and the case being at preliminary stage of investigation and there being every chance of tampering with the evidence, I do not find it a fit case where the present petitioner is entitled to the benefit of regular bail at this stage.

Therefore, finding no merit in this petition, the same is dismissed.

February 01, 2019. **(Inderjit Singh)**
Judge

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NOTE: Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether reportable: No

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