

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

CRM-M No. 48153 of 2018 (O&M)

Date of decision : 11.01.2019

Manoj Kumar alias Jugi

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE DAYA CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Nakul Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. P. S. Ahluwalia, Advocate for the complainant.

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DAYA CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Manoj alias Jugi has filed the present petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail to him in case FIR No.213 dated 12.07.2017 under Sections 420/447/427/148/149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Sections 467/468/471/506/120-B IPC are added subsequently in the challan), registered at Police Station – 'A' Division, Amritsar, Distt. Amritsar, during pendency of the trial.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the investigation has been completed, challan has been presented and the case before the trial Court is fixed for framing of charges on 18.01.2019. Co-accused of the petitioner namely Harpreet Singh and Jasbir Singh filed CRM-M No.770 of 2018 and CRM-M No.4233 of 2018 respectively, wherein earlier they have

been released on interim bail, which has been made absolute subsequently.

Petitioner has undergone custody of more than 5 months.

The submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner have not been disputed by learned State counsel.

Keeping in view the period of custody undergone by the petitioner, which is more than 5 months and also the fact that two co-accused of the petitioner have been released on regular bail, present petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

11.01.2019

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**(DAYA CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No