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

**CRM-M No.5701 of 2020
Date of Decision: 13.02.2020**

Narinder Kumar

.....Petitioner

Vs

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH*

Present: Mr. Rajesh K. Dadwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

Petitioner seeks grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.015 dated 31.03.2017 registered under Sections 406, 420 IPC and under Section 24 of the Immigration Act at Police Station Hajipur, District Hoshiarpur.

Petitioner and Ram Kumar have allegedly cheated the complainant by taking an amount of Rs.2,80,000/- on the pretext of sending his son abroad. Petitioner was granted bail on 09.09.2017 and thereafter, he was appearing regularly before the trial Court but absented on 10.08.2018. Ultimately, he was

declared as proclaimed person/offender on 08.07.2019. He was arrested on 16.08.2019 and since then, he is in custody.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Birender Singh states that challan has been presented and charges have been framed. Out of total 18 prosecution witnesses, 6 witnesses have been examined and next date of hearing before the trial Court is 14.02.2020.

Keeping in view the nature of allegations and trial to be conducted by the Magistrate, at this stage, without meaning anything on merits of the case, petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing adequate bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Nothing expressed hereinabove would be construed to be an expression of any opinion on merits of the case.

13.02.2020

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**(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No