

218 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.8317 of 2020(O&M)
DATE OF DECISION:04.03.2020

Harmail Singh

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr. Achin Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harpreet Singh Multani, AAG, Punjab.

LALIT BATRA, J. (Oral)

Present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C is for grant of regular bail to petitioner-**Harmail Singh** in case F.I.R. No.335 dated 21.12.2019 under Sections 120-B and 420 IPC, registered at Police Station City Faridkot, District Faridkot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that petitioner has no nexus whatsoever with the alleged offence. He further submits that petitioner is in custody since 04.02.2020 and he is no more required by the Police for any investigation purpose. He further urges that since investigation as well as consequent trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody further and he may be released on bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel while opposing instant petition has vehemently argued that keeping in view seriousness of offence, petitioner does not deserve the concession of bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case lest it may prejudice the outcome of the trial but taking into consideration the fact that petitioner is in custody since 04.02.2020; that petitioner is no more required by the Investigating Agency for investigation purpose and since investigation and consequent trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in custody further, thus, he deserves the concession of bail.

In view of above, instant petition for grant of regular bail moved by petitioner-**Harmail Singh** is allowed and he is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Area Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Faridkot, as the case may be.

(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

04.03.2020

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