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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-14381-2020
Date of Decision: 10.08.2020

Gurpreet Singh @ Lovely

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Joginder Pal Devgan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. S.S. Deol, DAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.50 dated 29.03.2017, under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 474 of the IPC, registered at Police Station Maqsudan, District Jalandhar Rural.

[2]. The petitioner has remained in detention for more than 1 year and 4 months since his original arrest on 07.04.2019. Challan has already been presented and trial is in progress. Co-accused is already on bail. No useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in detention for an indefinite period at this stage, since on account of the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic, the trial is likely to take its own considerable time to complete.

[3]. As such, the prayer of the petitioner for regular bail is allowed and he is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate,

concerned.

[4]. Disposed off.

10.08.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

- 1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
- 2. Whether reportable: Yes/No