

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

CRM-M- 20746-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: October 09, 2020

Sunil alias Sonu

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Sushil Kumar Verma , Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Deepshikha Chauhan, AAG, Haryana.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 39 dated 11.02.2020, under Sections 392 IPC (Section 395 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Sadar Sirsa, District Sirsa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 22.04.2020. It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case while submitting that other co-accused have already been allowed regular bail vide CRM-M-15779 of 2020 dated 03.07.2020 and CRM-M-19642-2020 dated 10.08.2020 respectively. Learned counsel would further contend that no recoveries are to be effected from the petitioner herein. It is also

contended that the challan has been presented and due to pandemic COVID-19 situation, the conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner, while submitting that offences alleged against the petitioner are serious in nature, however, there is no denial of the fact that other co-accused have been allowed bail and no recoveries are to be made from the petitioner herein.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

In view of the restricted working of the Courts due to pandemic COVID-19 situation, the trial is likely to take some time. The petitioner herein has been in custody since 22.04.2020 and that other co-accused have been allowed bail and no recoveries are to be made from him, so no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

October 09, 2020

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No