

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

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CRM-M -27391-2020

Date of Decision: 14.12.2020

Kuldeep Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. A.S Sekhon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Avtar Singh Sandhu,
Additional A.G. Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Custody certificate by way of an affidavit dated 12.12.2020
of Deputy Superintendent, Central Jail , Bathinda, filed through e-mail,
is taken on record.

Status report by way of an affidavit dated 12.12.2020 of
Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Faridkot, filed through
e-mail, is also taken on record.

Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., is for
grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.54 dated 29.07.2020,
registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC and
Section 201 IPC added later on, at Police Station Sadiq, District Faridkot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the allegation
against the petitioner is that he along with co-accused Balkaran Singh
used to make forged driving licences, aadhaar cards and registration

certificates by putting stamps of RTA by falsely claiming themselves to be the officials of the RTA Office. It is further submitted that the petitioner and his aforesaid co-accused are alleged to have prepared forged affidavit, insurance policy and pollution certificate etc. in respect of Skoda car bearing registration No.DL2F-BF-0070 make Model 2004, showing the same to have been manufactured in the year 2009. He further submits that the allegations against the petitioner are totally false as the investigating agency could not join any customer to substantiate the allegations contained in the FIR. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been in custody for the last more than 4 months and that there is no other case registered or pending against the petitioner.

On the other hand, learned State counsel has pointed out that the petitioner along with his co-accused, had been apprehended by the police at a naka and a large number of forged documents regarding the sale of the cars were recovered from them. However, he does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner and the factum of there being no other case registered or pending against the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

As noticed above, present petitioner has been in custody for last more than 4 months. Though, the challan stands presented, yet the fact remains that the conclusion of the trial would take a long time. No recovery is to be effected from the petitioner neither he is required for any further investigation. Thus, no purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

14.12.2020
Aman Jain

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