

**202 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(through video conferencing)**

CRM-M-28459-2020
Decided on : 10.11.2020

Bhola Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. P.P.S.Duggall, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. A.S.Sandhu, DAG, Punjab.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.

Instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.PC for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.46 dated 09.03.2017 registered under Sections 406 and 420 IPC at Police Station Dakha District Ludhiana.

In compliance of order dated 16.10.2020, learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Nirmal Singh has apprised the Court that the compromise has indeed been arrived at between the complainants and the petitioner.

FIR in question was registered under Sections 406 and 420 of IPC, 1860 against the petitioner, pertaining to certain financial dealings between the parties, which as per the learned counsel for the petitioner has been amicably settled. The petitioner is in custody since 08.05.2020 and as on date, only report under Section 173 Cr.PC has been presented in the trial Court. Hence, there is no likelihood of concluding the trial in the near future.

Heard.

In view of the submissions made by learned counsel and the fact that the petitioner has been in custody since 08.05.2020, the trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future more so in the wake of outbreak of pandemic Covid-19. Hence, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted to bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

10.11.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No