

**In The High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-29600-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 29.9.2020

Sumit

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Balkar Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Karan Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

(Proceedings conducted through video conferencing)

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed this petition seeking grant of regular bail in a case registered against him vide FIR No.163, dated 22.7.2020, Police Station Pillukhera, District Jind, under Sections 489-B, 489-C of IPC.
2. The FIR in question was registered at the instance of Vikas Kumar who has alleged that he is working as a salesman on a liquor vend and that on 22.7.2020 two young boys came in Swift car and while one entered the shop for the purpose of purchasing 'Blender's Pride' whiskey, the other kept on sitting in the car. It is alleged that the said

boy who had entered the shop gave a currency note of ₹2000/- to the complainant which the complainant suspected to be a counterfeit currency note and thus he made the boy sit in his shop on the pretext of arranging for the balance money to be returned back to the said boy. The complainant however, called his contractor who came there and apprehended the boy who disclosed his name as Mohit. It is further the case of prosecution that the liquor vend contractor called the police and that from search of the boy Mohit who had entered the shop, 4 more counterfeit currency notes of denomination of ₹2000/- were recovered. The boy who was sitting in the car disclosed his name as Sumit (petitioner) whose search also led to recovery of 4 counterfeit currency notes of denomination of ₹2000/- each.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he has falsely been implicated in the present case and that he is merely a taxi driver and that the amount in question had in fact been given to him by the co-accused as fare for taxi since his taxi had been hired by the co-accused for one week.
4. Opposing the petition, learned State counsel has submitted that since 4 counterfeit currency notes of denominations of ₹2000/- each have been recovered from the petitioner, no case for grant of bail is made out. Learned State counsel, upon instructions from SI Sateyawan has however, informed that challan already stands presented and the petitioner is not involved in any other case.
5. Having considered rival submissions addressed before this Court and bearing in mind that it is a case of recovery of four counterfeit

currency notes only from the petitioner and that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and that challan already stands presented, further detention of the petitioner will not serve any useful purpose. The petition, as such, is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

September 29, 2020

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No