

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

(through video conferencing)

CRM-M-30550-2020
Decided on : 05.11.2020

Rahul Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Vijay Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Singh Deol, 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.30 dated 09.02.2015 under Sections 395, 427 of IPC 1860 (Section 395 IPC was added later on and Section 392 IPC was deleted) registered at Police Station Shimlapuri District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the FIR in question. The petitioner is in custody since 16.03.2015 and the trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future.

Per contra, learned State counsel while opposing the prayer of learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the trial is likely to conclude shortly as only two prosecution witnesses remain to be examined.

Heard.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and criminal antecedents of the petitioner, as he has been involved in a number

of similar cases, the petitioner does not deserve the concession of regular bail. Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed. However, since the petitioner is in custody since 16.03.2015, the trial court is directed to make all endeavours to expedite the trial and conclude the same as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of four months from the date of the order.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

05.11.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No