

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

Sr. No.213

CRM-M-32402-2020

Date of decision: 28.10.2020

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.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. R.S. Dhull, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Munish Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J.(Oral)

The petitioner seeks regular bail in case FIR No.428 dated 5.7.2017, registered at Police Station City Bhiwani, District Bhiwani, under Sections 420, 120-B IPC and Section 3 of the Haryana Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishment Act, 2013.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody for more than 02 years. The trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date as only 09 PWs out of a total of 35 PWs have been examined, till date. The trial is to be conducted by a Magistrate and keeping in view these facts, the petitioner may be granted regular bail.

Custody certificate dated 24.10.2020, has been produced in Court and the same is taken on record. According to this certificate, the petitioner has undergone actual custody of 02 years, 03 months and 28 days and there are 03 other cases pending against him, out of which, one case is under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

Learned State counsel concedes that only 09 PWs have been examined out of a total of 35 PWs.

Thus, keeping in view the custody period already undergone by the petitioner as well as the fact that the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, I deem it appropriate to grant regular bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

28.10.2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No