

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-3966-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 02.03.2021

ROHTASH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Naveen Siwach, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.616 dated 23.08.2020, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station HTM Hisar, District Hisar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner, who was running a coaching centre and an online testing lab, had conspired with the other co-accused in helping candidates pass the PTI examination in lieu of money. He, however, contends that it is also alleged that before any money could be paid to the petitioner, he was arrested. No recovery has been effected from the petitioner after his arrest. The petitioner is not involved in any other criminal case. He is in custody for over 6 months.

Learned State counsel contends that although challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed.

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In view of the above, especially when no recovery has been effected from the petitioner, he is in custody for almost 6 months, he is not involved in any other case, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

02.03.2021

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