

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-9167-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 08.07.2021

BALWAN

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Dinesh Maurya, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.190 dated 08.07.2020, under Sections 406, 420, 506, 370, 384 IPC and Section 24 of the Immigration Act, registered at Police Station Ram Nagar, District Karnal.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner is not named in the FIR and has been arraigned as an accused on the allegations that the petitioner had facilitated the stay of the complainant at Delhi. The co-accused Inderjit Singh is stated to have taken money from the complainant enroute to America. He also contends that it is alleged that the complainant had been illegally sent abroad and he was also arrested in two countries enroute to America and deported back to India. The petitioner is in custody for over 8 months and is not involved in any other criminal case.

Learned State counsel contends that charges have been framed but no prosecution witness has been examined.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 8 months, 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

08.07.2021

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