

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

CRM-M-16600-2021

Date of Decision: 16.11.2021

Tek Bahadur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Amandeep Singh Rai, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S.Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

Case heard via video conferencing.

By this petition, the petitioner seeks the concession of 'regular bail' under the provisions of Section 439 Cr.P.C., upon FIR No. 170, dated 14.08.2020, having been registered at Police Station Jodhewal, Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana, alleging therein the commission of offences punishable under the provisions of Sections 457/380/201 of the IPC (with Section 201 IPC added later).

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner having been in custody for about more than 1 year and 2 months with the trial still to effectively commence, he deserves to be admitted to bail.

Though a reply has been filed on behalf of the respondent State giving therein the entire sequence of events including obviously the investigation conducted, upon query to learned State counsel he does not deny that, as per his instructions, the petitioner has been in custody for about 1 year and that the charges are still to be framed by the learned trial court.

That being so, without making any comment on the actual merits of the case, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be admitted to bail, upon him furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

November 16, 2021
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes
Whether reportable: : No