

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

**CRM-M-18274-2021 (O&M)
DECIDED ON: 6th JULY, 2021**

JASPREET SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference
due to COVID-19 situation.

CRM-16336-2021

This is an application for placing on record Annexure P-5 and
P-6.

Notice in the application.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab appearing on advance notice
accepts the same and submits that she has no objection in case the present
application is allowed.

Application is allowed, as prayed for.

Annexures P-5 and P-6 are taken on record, subject to all just
exceptions.

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This is a petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. seeking
regular bail in FIR No. 17, dated 5th November, 2020, under Section 7 of

Prevention of Corruption Act (Offence under Section 379-B, 120-B, 342, 384, 419 and 506 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau Range Ferozepur.

The FIR was at the behest of Gagandeep Singh. The allegations are that when the complainant and his friend Mantej Singh @ Raman reached at Moga Bus Stand, three persons in civil dress met them. These persons were addressing each other by their names i.e. C-Sarabjit Singh, C-Iqbal Singh and Jaspreet Singh Ghallan Wala. Accused enquired if Bullet motorcycle bearing registration No. PB-69-C-7161 belonged to complainant. After taking the complainant to the room he was given beatings and an amount of ₹28,500/-, two wallets of brown colour containing their Adhar Cards, PAN Cards, Driving Licences, ID Cards of bus and cheque book containing eight cheques were taken away. One syringe was recovered from the pocket of Mantej Singh, thereafter accused claimed to be from CIA Staff and threaten to register a case under the NDPS Act. A sum of ₹1,00,000/- was demanded as illegal gratification. The deal was struck at ₹50,000/-. An amount of ₹15,000/- was paid on 5th November, 2020. The motorcycle was kept by the accused, to be returned on payment of balance amount. Ultimately the motorcycle bearing registration No. PB-69-C-7161 was recovered from the house of Simranjeet Singh.

A supplementary statement of the complainant was recorded. He stated that Sarabjit Singh after getting ₹15,000/- had told Simranjit that intoxicants was recovered but the matter stands settled by taking money and that the motorcycle would be returned back.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the

Investigation in this case is complete. No recovery is to be made. He also

relies upon the two orders of this Court passed on 26th February, 2021 and CRM-M-9399-2021 in CRM-M-1164-2021 and CRM-M-9399-2021 respectively whereby the co-accused have been granted bail.

Learned State counsel submits that Scooty on which the complainant was allegedly taken and certain documents were recovered from the petitioner. She further informs that the petitioner is behind the bars for the last four months, is not involved in any other FIR and challan stands presented.

Considering the facts and circumstances in totality, especially that the co-accused have been granted bail; investigation is complete; challan stands presented; no recovery is to be made; conclusion of trial is likely to take time, no other case is pending against the petitioner, the petitioner is granted bail. The bail would be subject to furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

6th JULY, 2021

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**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*