

**In The High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

(I)

CRM-M-17990-2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 29.6.2021

Abhay Singh alias Toni

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

(II)

CRM-M-18265-2021 (O&M)

Parvinder Singh @ Parminder Singh @ Babbu

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Manpreet Singh Longia, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-17990-2021.

Mr. Pankaj Bali, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-18265-2021.

Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Gill, DAG, Punjab.

(Proceedings conducted through video conferencing)

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. This order shall dispose of the above mentioned two petitions wherein petitioners Abhay Singh alias Toni and Parvinder Singh @ Parminder Singh @ Babbu, seek grant of regular bail in a case registered vide FIR No. 287, dated 12.11.2020, Police Station City Rupnagar, District Rupnagar, under Sections 489-A, 489-B, 489-C, 489-D, 120-B IPC.
2. The FIR in question was lodged on the basis of secret information received by the police to the effect that Nand Lal, Abhay Singh and Sushil Kumar indulged in preparing fake currency notes and used to supply the same in Roopnagar city and in other cities as well. The information was further to the effect that they were travelling in a car bearing registration No. HR-01-AF-9953 and were carrying huge quantity of counterfeit currency notes. Pursuant to receipt of said secret information barricading was held and the car bearing registration No. HR-01-AF-9953 was apprehended which was being driven by Abhay Singh. Nand Lal was found to be sitting on the front passanger seat whereas Sushil Kumar was sitting on the rear seat. A search of the car led to recovery of 175 counterfeit currency notes of denomination of Rs.2000/- each from the dashboard of the car. The personal search of the three accused led to recovery of 50 counterfeit currency notes from each of the three accused.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner(s) have submitted that they have falsely been implicated in the instant case and that in any case since

challan already stands presented, their further detention will not serve any useful purpose.

4. The learned counsel representing petitioner- Parvinder Singh @ Parminder Singh @ Babbu has submitted that he in any case is nowhere named in the FIR and has been nominated on the basis of a disclosure statement allegedly made by co-accused Abhay Singh and that even as per the case of prosecution no counterfeit currency was recovered from him.
5. Opposing the petitions, learned State counsel has submitted that during the course of investigation it had been found that Abhay Singh had prepared the counterfeit currency notes in his shop with the help of a laptop which was duly recovered at the instance of Abhay Singh. It has further been submitted that the paper of the specific size meant for printing currency notes was recovered at the instance of petitioner-Parvinder Singh and in these circumstances their complicity is clearly evident. Learned State counsel has further informed that while petitioner-Abhay Singh has been behind bars since the last more than 7 months, petitioner-Parvinder Singh has been behind bars since the last about 4 months and 22 days. It has further been informed that both the petitioners are involved in one other FIR.
5. I have considered rival submissions addressed before this Court.
6. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and the nature of allegations and while also noticing that both the petitioners have been behind bars for a substantial period and that the conclusion

of trial is likely to consume time particularly in the present times of spread of pandemic, both the petitions, as such, are accepted and the petitioner(s) are ordered to be released on bail subject to their furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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