

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

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CRM-M-26962-2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 20.08.2021

MOHIT INANI

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Nipun Vashist, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Pardeep Prakash Chahar, DAG Haryana.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.35 dated 17.02.2021, registered under Sections 420, 406 IPC, at Police Station Kosli, District Rewari, Haryana.

Status report by way of an affidavit dated 02.08.2021 of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, District Rewari, filed on behalf of the respondent-State through e-mail, is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that neither the petitioner is the account holder in which the alleged money was transferred nor he is the owner of the mobile number, from which the calls were made. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to deposit the alleged amount of Rs.53,500/-, for which he has been prosecuted in the present case and that the petitioner has been in custody since 23.06.2021.

On the other hand, while opposing the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner, learned State counsel does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner. He, however, submits that recovery of one laptop, 9 mobile phones, 2 ATM Cards and one diary were effected from the petitioner.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 23.06.2021. Petitioner is ready to settle the matter and is also ready to pay the amount involved in this FIR. Further, keeping in view the prevailing situation of Covid-19 pandemic, the trial of the case is unlikely to conclude any time soon. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate, subject to the deposit of Rs.54,000/-, by the petitioner, by way of demand draft in the name of the Registrar General of this Court within a period of 15 days from today.

On deposit of the said demand draft by the petitioner, Registry is directed to deposit the same in a fixed deposit with the State Bank of India, High Court, Branch, fetching the maximum rate of interest.

20.08.2021

Aman Jain

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

: *Yes/No*
: *Yes/No*