

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

CRM-M No.27366 of 2021

Date of Decision:02.11.2021

(Heard through VC)

Vinod Singh Aswal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Vishal Garg Narwana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Manbir Singh Batth, Advocate
for the complainant.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.207 dated 25.11.2019 under Sections 420, 406, 506, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station City Rupnagar, District Rupnagar.

Counsel for the petitioner would contend that this case is triable by the Magistrate in which the petitioner has been in custody since 09.03.2021. It is submitted that the matter has been investigated and charges have been framed and therefore, he would not be in a position to influence the investigation in any case. It is further submitted that the trial is likely to take some time to conclude, therefore, prays for concession of bail to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the respondent-State as well as counsel for

the complainant would oppose grant of regular bail to the petitioner by contending that complainant has been duped of an amount of Rs.1,51,00,000/- and that cheques given for a sum of Rs.40,00,000/- towards part payment of that amount stands dishonoured.

I have heard counsel for the parties. Keeping in view the fact that matter stands investigated and charges have been framed and the fact that trial is likely to take some time to conclude, this Court deems it appropriate to allow regular bail to the petitioner. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of bail/surety bonds besides heavy security either in the form of immovable property or bank guarantee to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate to ensure that he does not abscond as petitioner is a resident of Uttarakhand. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

November 02, 2021
P.Bhatt

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No