

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-28263 of 2021

Date of decision: 26.07.2021

JASPREET SINGH

...PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. Jatinder Singh Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarbjit Singh Cheema, AAG, Punjab.

(Through Video Conferencing)

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

This is a petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.0264, dated 18.06.2021, registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 466, 467, 468, 471, 474 and 120-B IPC Act 1860 at Police Station Division No.5, Ludhiana.

The FIR has been got registered by the Ld. Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Ludhiana, stating that during summer vacation, being Duty Magistrate, he was to accept sapurdari bonds in a criminal case. The surety bond was to be furnished by one Vikas Jain. The petitioner and Navdeep Singh had signed as witnesses. However, on scrutiny of documents, the Ld. Magistrate found that one Rahul Pandey had impersonated as said Vikas Jain. Aadhar Card of Rahul Pandey was also found fake.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had only signed as witness in good faith relying on the Aadhar Card used by Rahul Pandey which showed him to be Vikas Jain. He had no intention to play any fraud with the Court which is evidenced by the fact that he had submitted his Aadhar Card which was found to be genuine.

His wife is in family way. As per the report Annexure P-2 of the Focus Scan X-Ray Centre, Ludhiana the expected date for delivery of the child is 01.08.2021. He further states that there is no person in petitioner's family to look after his wife

The petitioner is in custody since 18.06.2021.

Taking into account the circumstances, this petition is allowed. Petitioner-Jaspreet Singh is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

26.07.2021

Poonam Sharma

**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

Whether Reportable: Yes/No