

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-35806-2020 (O&M)

DATE OF DECISION: 26.05.2021

MANOJ KUMAR

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Keshav Partap Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.104 dated 18.06.2020, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 & 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Bhattu Kalan, District Fatehabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was working as an accountant in the firm namely M/s Tirupati Balaji and it is alleged that proprietor of M/s Tirupati Balaji namely Subhash Chander and Sandeep Kumar had created bogus firm showing bogus sales without paying GST and claiming input tax credit. The petitioner was only working as an accountant and getting an additional amount of Rs.4,000/- per month for his work in the alleged bogus firm. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for almost 8 months and after his arrest, nothing incriminating has been recovered from him. There is no material to suggest that the petitioner was deriving any benefit beyond Rs.4,000/- per month which was being paid to him.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Malkiat Singh, contends that challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 8 months, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

26.05.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No