

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

CRM-M No.40045 of 2020

Date of Decision: 26.02.2021

Jagdish Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM :- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present:- Mr. Nikhil K. Chopra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Goel, D.A.G., Haryana.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.252 dated 30.07.2020 under Sections 406, 420, 506, 384, 370 IPC and 24 of the Immigration Act, 1983 registered at Police Station Taraori, District Karnal.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the only role attributed to the petitioner in the crime, in question, is that he had introduced the complainant to accused No.3-Subhash, an agent and besides this, he had not been attributed any other role. It has further been submitted that strangely the accused Nos.4 and 5 who had deposited an amount of Rs.07,10,000/-through RTGS in the account of accused No.3 had been declared innocent and he instead implicated without any qualitative evidence qua his involvement in the crime in question. Learned counsel submits that the petitioner has been in custody for the last more than four

months and only the challan has been presented till date, hence, there is no likelihood of the trial concluding anytime in the near future.

Per contra, learned State counsel, on instructions from Sub Inspector Dharampal, while opposing the grant of regular bail to the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is involved in eight more FIRs of similar nature.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, however, submits that in the other FIRs which stand registered against the petitioner, he has already been extended the concession of regular bail by Co-ordinate Benches of this Court.

Heard.

Keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has been in custody for the last more than four months and due to the outbreak of the pandemic Covid-19, the trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner. Therefore, without expressing anything on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

February 26, 2021

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