

203) IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-51128-2021
Date of decision-13.12.2021

Amandeep Singh @ Aman

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANT PARKASH

Present: Mr. Fariad Singh Virk, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Tanvir Joshi, AAG, Punjab.

SANT PARKASH, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in FIR No.159 dated 12.08.2021 registered under Sections 420, 489-A, 489-B, 489-C, 489-D, 120-B and 212 of the Indian Penal Code, at Police Station Urban Estate, Patiala.

As per the allegations in the FIR, on the basis of a secret information, the police party apprehended the present petitioner-Amandeep Singh @ Aman and one Harpal Kaur @ Pali alongwith Fake currency notes. It has been further mentioned in the FIR that petitioner along with some unknown associates have made a gang and they are preparing fake notes of Indian currency with the instrument kept by them and they used to give this fake Indian Currency by receiving original Indian currency on cheap rates and they are cheating the public by using the said fake currency.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present FIR. The challan has been presented in this case on 01.11.2021. The petitioner is in custody since 12.08.2021 and the petitioner is no longer required for investigation as all the witnesses are official one. Thus, he

prays for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer of the learned counsel for the petitioner and submits that the present application for grant of regular bail to the petitioner be dismissed as the case pertains to counterfeiting of Indian Currency.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the case file.

The petitioner is in custody since 12.08.2021. Though, the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has been presented but the charges have not been framed yet and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars. Moreover, conclusion of the trial will take some time keeping in view the prevailing pandemic situation.

Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances and without commenting on the merits of the case, it is considered as appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate.

The petition is allowed.

(SANT PARKASH)
JUDGE

13.12.2021

Anjal

Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes

No

Whether Reportable :

Yes

No