

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

**CRM-M-18888 of 2022 (O&M)**

**DECIDED ON: 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2022**

**Shamsher Singh**

**.....PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**State of Haryana**

**.....RESPONDENT**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.**

Present: Mr. A.S. Lamba, Advocate for petitioner.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG Haryana.

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**AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)**

Aggrieved of rejection of prayer for grant of regular bail in FIR No.1 dated 10.3.2022, under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, registered at Police Station SVB, Hisar, the present petition is filed.

The allegations are that the petitioner-Shamsher Singh posted as Deputy Superintendent, Public Health Department, Fatehabad, demanded Rs.8000/- for passing the bills of the complainant. There is an audio recording of the conversation between the complainant and the petitioner. On a complaint, trap was laid and the petitioner was caught red handed.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it is a case of false implication. Petitioner was not authorised to pass bills, he was dealing with the allotment of tender which had already been allotted. He further submits that as per the case set up, the bills were left by the complainant on the table of the petitioner. He argues that the petitioner is in custody since 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2022, investigation is complete and challan stands presented, petitioner is not involved in any other case. Petitioner had volunteered to give the voice sample.

Learned State counsel opposes the prayer and submits that the petitioner was caught red handed and voice sample of the petitioner is yet to be taken.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering that there is an audio recording produced by the complainant and the petitioner has volunteered to give the voice sample, though investigation is complete conclusion of trial is likely to take time and no useful purpose would be served by depriving his personal liberty, bail is granted to the petitioner on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending application, if any is rendered infructuous.

5<sup>th</sup> July, 2022  
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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)  
JUDGE

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |