

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

**CRM-M-20693 of 2022
Date of Decision:- 05.12.2022**

Wilson

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Naveen Bawa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.(Oral)

Prayer is for grant for regular bail to the petitioner in case having FIR No.28 dated 19.02.2022 registered under Sections 489-A, 489-B, 489-C, 489-D, 420 of IPC (Sections 411, 473 IPC added later on), Police Station Baghapurana, District Moga.

The counsel for the petitioner has inter-alia submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and is languishing behind the bars for last more than 9 months and is having no criminal history and the trial is not progressing and no purpose is going to be served by keeping the petitioner in custody for any longer period. The counsel for the petitioner further made prayer that the petitioner is entitled to grant of regular bail.

The present petition is opposed by the State who on instructions from Inspector Kuldeepraj has submitted that fake

currency notes worth Rs.35,900/- and one colored printer were recovered from the possession of the petitioner and he is in custody since 19.02.2022 and that the trial has commenced. However, the State counsel has admitted that till date no prosecution witness is examined and the petitioner is having no criminal antecedents.

I have considered the submissions made by the counsel for the parties.

In the present case aforesaid recoveries have already been effected from the petitioner who was arrested on 19.02.2022 and is presently lodged in judicial custody. On completion of investigation, the police has presented the challan but the trial has not progressed further as till date no prosecution witness has been examined. It will take considerable time for the trial to conclude, so no fruitful purpose is going to be served by keeping the petitioner in custody for any further period.

In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case the present petition is hereby accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

05.12.2022

P. Chawla

**(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned / speaking?

Yes / No

Whether reportable?

Yes / No