

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

CRM-M-27663-2022

Date of Decision: 4th July, 2022

Kirpal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present : Mr. Harpreet Singh Brar, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Sumeet Pal Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Dimple Jain, AAG, Haryana.

AVNEESH JHINGAN , J.(Oral)

1. The prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in case of FIR No.03, dated 5th April, 2022, under Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, registered at Police Station State Vigilance Bureau, Hisar.

2. Brief facts of the case are that Kirpal Singh-petitioner posted as a Patwari demanded Rs.2500 per acre for preparing partition draft report. On a complaint, trap was laid and petitioner was caught red handed. The allegations were supported with an audio recording.

3. Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in custody since 5th April, 2022, investigation is complete and petitioner has already volunteered to give his voice sample.

4. Learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail and the contention is that petitioner was caught red handed accepting the money. The contention is that the date for getting the voice sample is fixed for 15th September, 2022.

5. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering

that the allegations are supported by an audio recording and petitioner is ready to give his voice sample, no useful purpose would be served by depriving his personal liberty, as even inspite of completion of investigation conclusion of the trial is likely to take time and he has no criminal antecedents, the petitioner is granted bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

- 6. The petition is allowed.
- 7. It is clarified that observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

4th July, 2022
Parveen Sharma

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