

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

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CRM-M-33463-2022 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 09.08.2022

VARUN SHARMA

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANR

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Akshay Kumar Jindal, Advocate and
Mr. Gopal Soni, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Surender Singh, AAG, Haryana.

Mr. Mohd. Arshad, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

Through this petition, the petitioner seeks regular bail in case bearing FIR No.167 dated 16.06.2021, registered at Police Station Sector-13/17 Panipat, under Sections 120-B, 420, 467, 468 and 471 IPC.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is not a beneficiary of the alleged transaction; that post completion of the investigation, the challan had been presented before the Court below; that there are total 26 prosecution witnesses and that the petitioner has been in custody since 13.03.2022. He further submits that now a compromise has been effected between the parties.

On the other hand, learned State counsel while opposing the prayer for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, does not dispute the

custody period of the petitioner as well as the factum of compromise effected between the parties.

Learned counsel for respondent No.2 does not dispute the factum of compromise and submits that respondent No.2 has no objection if the petitioner is granted the concession of bail.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 13.03.2022. Compromise has already been effected between the parties. Charges are yet to be framed and prosecution evidence is yet to commence. In such circumstances, the trial of the case would take a long time to conclude. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

09.08.2022

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(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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