

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

**CRM-M No.51139 of 2021  
Date of Decision: 10.02.2022**

Baljinder Singh

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent.

***(Heard through Video-Conferencing)***

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA**

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Present:- Mr. Baltej Singh Sidhu, Senior Advocate with  
Mr. Divij Datt, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. C.L. Pawar, Sr. D.A.G, Punjab.

**MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J.(Oral)**

The petitioner herein seeks the relief of regular bail in the criminal case arising out of the FIR bearing No.25 dated 13.02.2018 registered at Police Station City Batala, District Gurdaspur, under Section 420 IPC, with the allegations of duping the complainant of an amount of Rs.3,66,640/- on the pretext of sending him abroad.

Custody-certificate of the petitioner has been received in the Court and the same has been placed on the file.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel in the present petition and have also perused the file

thoroughly.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is behind the bars since 30.07.2019 and even the charge has not yet been framed and thus, the trial proceedings have not commenced and except this case, the petitioner has been granted the relief of regular bail in all other cases pending against him and in these circumstances, he deserves the relief as prayed for in this petition.

Learned State counsel does not dispute the above-referred factual position.

Keeping in view the above-discussed facts and circumstances and the period of incarceration of the petitioner in the present case as well as the fact that the trial of the case is likely to take sufficient time to conclude and without commenting or expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petitioner named Baljinder Singh is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing the requisite personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The instant petition stands allowed accordingly.

**February 10, 2022**

Yag Dutt

**(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned:* *Yes*

*Whether Reportable:* *No*