

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND  
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.52944 of 2021 (O&M)  
Date of Decision.25.02.2022  
(Heard through VC)

Akash Kumar

...Petitioner

Vs

State of Haryana

...Respondent

**CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR**

Present: Ms. Promila Nain, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurmeet Singh, AAG, Haryana.

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**JAISHREE THAKUR J. (ORAL)**

This is a petition that has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.298 dated 06.10.2021 registered under Sections 419, 420, 120-B IPC and Sections 66-C, 66-D of the Information Technology Act at Police Station Sector 13/17, Panipat.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the aforesaid matter, as the investigation has been completed and the challan stands presented and there is nothing incriminating found against him. The petitioner is a resident of Jaipur and has no concern with the accused Ashok @ Shoki or lab namely Asia Pacific Institute of Information Technology, Panipat as alleged by the prosecution. The petitioner is in custody since 07.10.2021 and the trial is likely to take some time to conclude, therefore, prays of concession of bail to the petitioner.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent-State opposes grant of regular bail to the petitioner by contending that it is a cyber

scam involving large number of persons and therefore, investigation has not been completed yet, however, he does not dispute the fact that the investigation qua petitioner herein has been completed and the challan stands presented.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have perused the paper book and keeping in view the fact that the investigation has been completed and the challan stands presented and the fact that the trial is likely to take some time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his execution of personal/surety bonds of Rs.5 lakhs each to the satisfaction of concerned trial court/Duty Magistrate. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

**(JAISHREE THAKUR)**  
**JUDGE**

**February 25, 2022**  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |