

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH.

CRM-M-5296-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 8.2.2023

Jaspreet Singh @ Jass Nannu

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Munish Bahl, Advocate for
Mr. Pankaj Bali, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Harpreet Kaur, AAG, Haryana

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.

Prayer in the present petition under Section 439 of Code of Criminal Procedure is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.243 dated 18.5.2022 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 420, 467, 468, 471, 406 IPC and Section 24 of Immigration Act and under Section 12D of Passport Act at Police Station Ambala City, District Ambala.

Counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that the petitioner was not named in the FIR and later on, falsely implicated in the present case and is in custody for the last more than 8 months and is having no criminal history and further, now compromise has been effected between the parties and copies of concerned affidavits to this effect are Annexures P-4 to P-6. So, prayer is made that the petitioner be released on regular bail.

Present petition is resisted by the State counsel, who on instructions from ASI Shambhu Lal submits that the petitioner and other

accused persons took amount of ₹ 2,25,000/- from the complainant and his brother for providing them to Visa to go to Singapore but thereafter, they failed to do so and also refused to return the amount. State counsel apprised the Court that after completion of investigation, challan stands presented and charges are also framed and now the trial has commenced.

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

Admittedly, the petitioner is lodged in custody since 22.5.2022 and all the offences are triable by the Court of Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class and now the trial has commenced and some of the co-accused namely Mandeep, Rohit Sharma and Vivek Sharma are already enlarged on bail vide orders Annexures P-2, P-3 and P-7 passed by this Court.

It will take time for conclusion of trial. Thus, no useful 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 allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

February 8, 2023
Paritosh Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No