

219 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-8029-2023
DECIDED ON: 2nd MARCH, 2023

AMARJIT SINGH @ TEENU

....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Ajay Kumar, Advocate for
Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J. (ORAL)

The jurisdiction of this Court under Section 439 Cr.P.C., has been invoked for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 181, dated 25.12.2021, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC') registered at Police Station Navi Bara Dari, Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been nominated as an accused in the present case on the basis of disclosure statement of Neeraj Kumar @ Sonu, who suffered a statement that Hardip Singh used to pay him, Rajesh Kumar and Amarjit Singh a sum of Rs.10,15,000/- per file for verification of loan files of loanees.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has placed reliance upon the order dated 08.02.2023 passed in CRM-M-38748-2022 whereby, the co-

accused of the petitioner namely Hardip Singh has been granted the concession of regular bail.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of Court, Mr. Mohit Chaudhary, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State of Punjab. Custody certificate of the petitioner filed by learned State counsel in Court today is taken on record, which depicts that the petitioner has already undergone the sentence for a period of 1 year and 17 days and is not involved in any other case of any nature.

Without going into the merits of the case and the facts that the petitioner is behind the bars for the last 1 year and 17 days; nothing is to be recovered from the petitioner; conclusion of the trial is likely to take long time, this Court is of the considered view that no fruitful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars for an indefinite period.

The present petition is, therefore, allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

2nd MARCH, 2023

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**(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>