

208 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-30855-2023

Date of Decision: 07.07.2023

Rajinder Kumar

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

Present : Mr. Harminder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S.Bajwa, DAG, Punjab.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. with a prayer to grant a regular bail in case FIR No.25 dated 14.02.2023 registered under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B, 34 of IPC (Section 201 IPC added later on) at Police Station Sadar Sri Muktsar Sahib, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was arrested in the present case on 10.03.2023. He further contends that the petitioner had no concern with the allegations levelled in the present FIR and he was a formal witness, who identified the identifier of the surety and was not aware of the facts of the case. He further contends that he was called by Satpal Singh (Member Panchayat) and had appended his signatures in good faith. The investigation is complete and the challan has been presented in the present case.

The next date of hearing before the trial Court is fixed on 12.07.2023 for

framing of charges. Thus, the conclusion of the trial will take a long time. Moreover, all the offences are triable by the Court of learned Magistrate. He further submits that there is no other case is pending against the present petitioner.

On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the grant of concession of bail to the present petitioner on the ground that there are specific allegations against the present petitioner and he may influence the witnesses of the prosecution.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate, concerned.

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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