

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-2157-2024

Date of Decision: 13.05.2024

ARUN KUMAR GUPTA

.....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present: Mr. H.S. Dhindsa, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.383 dated 22.11.2019, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.8, Ludhiana.

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that similarly placed co-accused Vikas Kumar Gupta has already been allowed bail by this Court vide order dated 26.02.2024 passed in CRM-M-65284 of 2024. The other co-accused, namely, Kiran Bala and Ekta Sharma have also been allowed bail by this Court.

3. Status report had been filed.

4. Learned State Counsel could not refute the contention to the effect that case of the petitioner – Arun Kumar Gupta is on parity with co-accused Vikas Kumar Gupta, who was allowed bail by this Court vide order dated 26.02.2024 passed in CRM-M-65284 of 2024.

5. Custody certificate also reveals that petitioner is in custody for the last more than 07 months and 24 days, though he is involved in five more cases of the similar nature and in all of which, he is on bail.

6. For all the reasons as have been discussed by this Court in the order dated 26.02.2024 passed in CRM-M-65284-2024; and also on the basis of parity, but without commenting anything further on merits of the case, petition is allowed. Petitioner is admitted to regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned, on usual terms and conditions.

13.05.2024
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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