

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**2024:PHHC:056765
CRM-M-18136-2024
Date of decision: April 25, 2024**

SUKHJINDER SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Harvinder Singh Johal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Sabherwal, Special Public Prosecutor
for respondent-CBI.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for modification of the impugned order dated 09.01.2024 (Annexure P-4), vide which a condition of Rs.50 lacs as bank guarantee along with personal bond with one surety of like amount, was imposed by the learned trial Court upon him for travelling overseas to meet his family.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his submissions only for modification of the impugned order, vide which the aforementioned onerous condition of Rs.50 lacs as bank guarantee along with personal bond with one surety of like amount has been imposed by the learned trial Court.
3. Learned counsel appearing for the CBI has submitted that on the previous occasion when the petitioner travelled abroad, he had been ordered by the learned trial Court concerned to furnish personal bonds in the sum of Rs.15 lacs with one surety of like amount and he had also furnished a bank guarantee in the sum of Rs.15 lacs, thus the condition which had been imposed upon the petitioner when he travelled abroad on the previous occasion, was Rs.30 lacs in

total.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the relevant material placed on record.

5. A perusal of the file reveals that the petitioner had been granted permission to travel abroad by the learned trial Court earlier on several occasions, wherein he had duly complied with the conditions imposed by the learned trial Court and had returned back to India in time.

6. In the circumstances, while the rest of the conditions imposed by the learned trial in the impugned order dated 09.01.2024 (Annexure P-4) shall remain intact, condition No.(c) is modified to the following extent:-

“(c). That the applicant/accused would furnish bank guarantee in the sum of Rs.25 lacs along with personal bond with one surety of like amount, undertaking therein that he shall return to India within the stipulated period.”

7. In the facts and circumstances as enumerated hereinabove, this petition stands disposed of.

April 25, 2024

Jaspreet Kaur

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

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