



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No. 41141 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 18.10.2024

Gurvinderbir Singh Sodhi
..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab
..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Harlove Singh Rajput, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Eklavya Darshi, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent.

Mr. Saurav Bhatia, Advocate and
Mr. Nitin Chaudhary, Advocate for the complainant.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner, by way of present petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, seeks grant of regular bail pending trial in case bearing FIR No. 10 dated 12.01.2023, under Sections 420, 406, 465, 466, 468, 471 & 120-B of IPC (Sections 201 & 467 of IPC added later on), registered at Police Station B Division, Amritsar.

[2] This Court, while granting the interim bail to the petitioner on 02.09.2024, passed the following order:-

“ By way of present petition filed under Section 483 BNSS 2023, prayer has been made for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.10 dated 12.01.2023 registered under Sections 420, 406, 465, 466, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC (Sections 201 and 467 of IPC were added later

on) at P.S. B Division, District Amritsar wherein, the petitioner has been implicated with the allegations of having committed fraud with the complainant allegedly to the tune of Rs.15,00,000/-.

In the present case, the investigation already stands concluded with the filing of challan and the petitioner is in custody for the past almost 3 months.

Mr. Saurav Bhatia, Advocate appears on behalf of complainant and files his memo of appearance, the same is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the complainant submits that in the circumstances wherein, as per allegations, the matter appears to be an offshoot of financial transaction between the parties, the same be place before Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court as the complainant counsel is not averse to the same.

Let the parties appear before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court on 09.09.2024 for exploring the possibility of amicable settlement.

For the aforesaid purpose, the petitioner is granted benefit of interim bail on his furnishing adequate bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner shall also surrender his passport before the trial Court.

List on 17.10.2024 awaiting report. ”

[3] In compliance of the aforesaid order dated 02.09.2024, a report dated 25.09.2024 from the learned Mediator, Mediation & Conciliation Centre of this Court has been received, whereby it has been reported that the parties have settled their dispute by way of an amicable settlement / agreement, which has been duly signed by the respective parties as well as their counsel(s).

[4] Learned counsel for the petitioner submits the matter has been amicably settled between the parties, thus, prays for confirming the aforesaid order dated 02.09.2024.

[5] Learned counsel for the complainant admits the factum of compromise and states that he has no objection in case the petitioner is granted the concession of regular bail.

[6] In view of the above, this Court is of the opinion that sending the petitioner in custody at this stage would not serve any purpose. Consequently, present petition is **allowed**. Interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 02.09.2024, is made absolute.

[7] It is made clear that this order may not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

October 18, 2024
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No