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

CRM-M-54669-2024**Date of Decision: 11.11.2024**

Kamal Singh

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

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

Present : Mr. G.S.Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajinder Kumar Banku, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 with a prayer to grant regular bail in case FIR No.304 dated 03.05.2022 registered under Sections 406, 409, 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B of IPC and Sections 7 & 13 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, at Police Station, Sector-32-33, Karnal, District Karnal.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was working as a sweeper on adhoc basis in the Bank, where the offences allegedly taken place. He further contends that the higher officials of the bank were involved in the crime, however, the petitioner has been unnecessarily made a scapegoat. He further contends that Krishan Kumar, Branch Manager applied for bail before this Court vide CRM-M-3100-2023 and has been admitted to bail. Similarly placed co-accused, Beena and Ritu Rani also filed their respective bail applications before this Court and vide order dated 16.10.2024 (Annexure P-5), they have also been granted the concession of bail by this



Court. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 24.07.2024 and is in custody since then. After completion of investigation, the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has already been presented against him.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that serious allegations have been levelled against the present petitioner and he does not deserve the concession of bail by this Court. However, he could not dispute the fact that the other co-accused, namely, Krishan Kumar, Anshul Kumar, Beena, Ritu Rani and Vaishali Chauhan have also been admitted to bail.

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

5. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 24.07.2024 and the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has already been present against him. The other co-accused, namely, Krishan Kumar, Anshul Kumar, Beena, Ritu Rani and Vaishali Chauhan have also been admitted to bail vide orders Annexures P-3 to P-6. Thus, no purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars.

6. 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.

(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

11.11.2024.
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No