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

CRM-M-55445-2024

Date of Decision: 13.11.2024

Ashwin

...Petitioner

VS.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

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

Present : Mr. Sandeep K. Tada, 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 439 of the Cr.P.C. with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.255 dated 28.05.2020 registered under Sections 120-B, 409, 420, 467, 468, 471 of IPC and Section 13(1)(d) and 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, at Police Station Faridabad Central, District Faridabad.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was appointed as a Data Operator in the office of Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Faridabad and had no concern with the verification, calculation of tax, genuineness of any documents forwarded to him by the RC Clerk. He further submits that similarly placed co-accused, namely, Alok Bansal has been granted the concession of bail by this Court, vide order dated 07.11.2024 passed in CRM-M-54396-2024. He further contends that the petitioner was arrested in the present case on 16.09.2024 and after his arrest, the investigation has already been completed by the police.



3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that the petitioner was also instrumental in forging the official documents and causing financial lose to the public exchequer.

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

5. In the present case, the petitioner was arrested on 16.09.2024 and all the documentary evidence has already been collected by the police from the office of Registering Authority. Apart from that, similarly placed co-accused, namely, Alok Bansal has been granted the concession of bail by this Court, vide order dated 07.11.2024. Thus no purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars, at this stage.

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.

13.11.2024.
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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