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

CRM-M-61085-2024**Date of Decision: 10.12.2024**

Gaurav Sharma

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

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

Present : Mr. Balkar Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sheenu Sura, DAG, 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.17 dated 02.09.2024 registered under Sections 7A, 13(1)(b), 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Section 215 of BNS, 2023, at Police Station ACB, Rohtak Division, Rohtak, District Anti Corruption Bureau, Haryana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is a practising lawyer at Sub-Division Court, Kharkhoda, District Sonapat and was recently enrolled. He further contends that the petitioner has been falsely involved as he was known to SI Jasbir Singh and at the time of occurrence, he was present near the place of recovery. Otherwise, the petitioner had no concern with the allegations levelled by the complainant. Learned counsel further contends that the co-accused, Jasbir Singh, who was the Investigating officer



in the present case, has already been granted the concession of bail by this Court, vide order dated 02.12.2024 passed in CRM-M-59057-2024. The petitioner was never involved in any other criminal activity. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 02.09.2024 and after completion of investigation, challan 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.

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

5. It is not in dispute that Jasbir Singh, SI has already been granted the concession of bail by this Court vide order dated 02.12.2024. The petitioner is in custody for the last more than 03 months and the trial is yet to formally commence against him.

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

10.12.2024.
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No