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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **BAIL APPLN. 1488/2024, CRL.M.A. 12983/2024**

DAVINDER SINGH

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ravikant Kaushal, Advocate.

versus

STATE OF NCT DELHI

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Laksh Khanna, APP for State with
Insp. Satish Yadva, P.S. IGI Airport.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER

30.04.2024

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1. By way of present bail application filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., the applicant seeks regular bail in FIR No. 448/2019 registered under Sections 420/468/471 IPC at P.S. IGI Airport.
2. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that applicant is a victim of the circumstances, inasmuch as, it was the travel agent who had arranged CDCs for him. Applicant has no criminal antecedents and is in custody since last 45 days. It is also stated that though notice under Section 41A Cr.P.C. was issued to the applicant, however, he could not join the investigation due to COVID outbreak. The FIR pertains to the year 2019 and investigations are still pending. Lastly, it is submitted that main accused/*Kuldeep Sharma*, the travel agent has already been released on regular bail.
3. Mr. Khanna, learned APP for the State relies on the Status Report that was placed before the Sessions Court. He submits that the present case was



registered in the year 2019 on the complaint of ASI Ravinder Singh who stated that nine Indian nationals arrived in India and they were holding fake travel documents for seamen. The documents were alleged to be issued by Govt. of Samoa, Ministry of Works, Transport and Infrastructure. Subsequently, LOC of the present applicant was opened and he was apprehended while he was catching flight from Amritsar to Dubai. It is stated that applicant's passport is already seized and lying deposited with the I.O. He, on instructions, submits that charge-sheet would be filed within two weeks. He, on further instructions, submits that applicant is not found involved in any other case.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances as well as the period of custody and also the fact that main accused has already been admitted to bail, it is directed that the applicant be released on regular bail subject to him furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety of the like amount to the satisfaction of the concerned Jail Superintendent/ concerned Court/Duty M.M. and subject to the following further conditions :-

- i) The applicant shall not leave the country without prior permission of the concerned Trial Court.
- ii) The applicant shall provide his mobile number to the Investigating Officer on which he will remain available during the pendency of the trial.
- iii) In case of change of residential address or contact details, the applicant shall promptly inform the same to the concerned Investigating Officer as well as to the concerned Court.
- iv) The applicant shall not directly/indirectly try to get in touch with the complainant or any other prosecution witnesses or tamper with the evidence.
- v) The applicant shall regularly appear before the concerned Court during



the pendency of the trial.

5. The bail application is disposed of in the above terms.

6. Copy of the order be communicated to the concerned Jail Superintendent electronically for information.

7. Needless to state that nothing observed hereinabove shall amount to an expression on the merits of the case and shall not have a bearing on the trial of the case as the same has been expressed only for the purpose of the disposal of the present bail application.

Dasti.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

APRIL 30, 2024

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