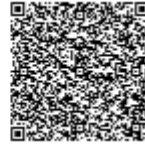


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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**CRM M-4007 of 2025
Date of Decision: 27.02.2025**

Suresh Kumar

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Mr. Jagdeep Singh Rana, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Sheenu Sura, DAG, Haryana.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 483 of BNSS for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 292 dated 04.09.2023 under Sections 406, 409, 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC and 13(1)(A) read with Section 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act registered at Police Station Civil Lines, District Bhiwani.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was neither nominated as an accused in the FIR nor any particular allegation was levelled against him. From a bare perusal of the FIR, it is apparent that the allegations have been primarily levelled against Pawan Kumar, who had allegedly prepared the fake and fabricated bills and had the power to disburse the amount. It is further

submitted that even during the course of investigation, no substance was found against the present petitioner and the police could not connect the petitioner with the entire incident. Even, in the status report submitted by the police, only allegation against the present petitioner is that there was transaction of meager amount of Rs.40,000/- in the account of the petitioner from the account of Pawan Kumar, co-accused. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner was working in the department for the last 12 years and no complaint was ever received against him. Learned counsel further submits that Manish, also similarly placed co-accused has already been admitted to bail vide annexure P-2. He further contends that the petitioner was arrested in the present case on 23.11.2024 and after completion of investigation, the challan has already been presented.

3. A status report by way of an affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Bhiwani, has been filed on behalf of the respondent-State and the same is taken on record.

4. Learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that there are serious allegations against the petitioner and the petitioner is not entitled for the concession of regular bail. However, she admits that there was no other case against the petitioner.

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

6. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 23.11.2024 and is in custody for the last more than 03 months. Even, the similarly placed co-accused Manish has already been admitted to regular bail vide order dated 16.02.2024 passed by the Court of Additional Sessions Judge, Bhiwani.

7. In view of the above, 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.

27.02.2025
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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