



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

CRM-M No.9655 of 2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 25.02.2025

Karandeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. Sanjeev Majra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, DAG, Haryana for the respondent.

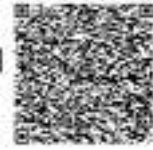
Mr. Sahil Gambhir, Advocate for the complainant.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (*for short 'BNSS'*) for grant of bail pending trial to the petitioner in FIR No.817 dated 17.10.2024, under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (*for short 'IPC'*); Sections 10 & 24 of the Emigration Act, 1983, registered at Police Station Shahabad, District Kurukshetra.

(2) Above FIR was registered on the basis of complaint made by *de facto* complainant-Saravjeet Singh with the allegations that petitioner duped him to the tune of ₹ 34 Lakh for sending him abroad.

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(3) Contended that petitioner is in custody since 08.12.2024; after investigation, report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has already been presented before the Court of competent jurisdiction on 02.01.2025. Also contended that co-accused, namely, Hardev Singh, with similar allegations, has already been granted the concession of bail pending trial by learned trial Court, vide order dated 18.01.2025 (P-5). Further contended that case is triable by the Magistrate; but it is likely to take sufficient long time; hence, further incarceration of the petitioner would not serve any purpose.

(4) The above factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State Counsel; but he opposed the prayer.

(5) Similarly, learned Counsel for the complainant has vehemently opposed the prayer of the petitioner.

(6) Heard learned Counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.

(7) As petitioner is in custody since 08.12.2024; report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has already been presented on 02.01.2025 and it is the case triable by the Magistrate; thus, trial is likely to take sufficient long time. Hence, in such a scenario, further incarceration of the petitioner would not serve any purpose.

(8) Consequently, present petition is allowed. Petitioner be admitted to bail pending trial on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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(9) Petitioner shall fully co-operate with the learned trial Court without seeking any unnecessary adjournments.

(10) The above observations may not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(11) It is clarified that in case there is any misuse of concession of bail on the part of the petitioner, State/complainant would be at liberty to move an appropriate application for recalling of this order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

25th February, 2025
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>