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

**CRM-M-18007-2025
Date of Decision:07.04.2025**

SANDEEP DALAL

...PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF HARYANA

...RESPONDENT

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

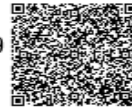
Present : Mr. Sandeep Singh Sangwan, Advocate &
Mr. Udit Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rupinder Singh Jhand, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 483 of B.N.S.S., with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.235 dated 04.11.2022, registered under Sections 409, 419, 420, 467, 468, 471 IPC 1860, & Section 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 Police Station Bahu Akbarpur, District Rohtak.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR was registered on the basis of the statement made by Pardeep Kumar, Branch Head, Punjab National Bank, Branch Office Mokhra, Tehsil Maham, District Rohtak. He further contends that initially the enquiry was initiated on 16.08.2022

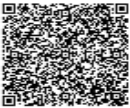


against Sandeep Kumar and Sonia and they were suspended during enquiry. The petitioner was not even named initially and later on, due to Intra departmental rivalry, he was involved in the present case. He further contends that even the account in dispute belongs to some other Branch and the petitioner has been wrongly arrayed as accused in the present case and the petitioner was arrested in the present case on 14.10.2024 and is in custody for the last about 06 months. He further submits that Sonia, co-accused has already been granted the concession of bail by this Court and on parity, the petitioner is entitled to grant the concession of bail.

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 is the main accused in the present case and even one more case under Sections 420 & 467 IPC was registered against the present petitioner and he does not deserve the concession of bail by this Court. He further contends that even the petitioner had colluded with Sonia, co-accused and had embezzled Rs.30,00,000/- by forging and fabricating the record of the bank.

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

5. In the present case, the petitioner is stated to be in custody since 14.10.2024 and challan has already been presented against him. However, charge has not been framed against him so far and the conclusion of the trial may take quite a long time. Apart from that, Sonia, co-accused has already been admitted to bail by the Court of Sessions Judge, Rohtak and further custody of the petitioner may not serve any useful purpose.



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.

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(N.S. SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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