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

**CRM-22245-2025 in/and
CRM-M-29408-2025
Date of Decision:10.07.2025**

ASHOK ALIAS ASHOK STENO

...PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF HARYANA

...RESPONDENT

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

Present : Mr. Anmol Sharma, Advocate
for the applicant-petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Sidhu, DAG, Haryana.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

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Allowed as prayed for.

Main Case

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 483 BNSS with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.7 dated 11.03.2025, registered under Sections 7, 7A, 13(1)(b), 13(2) Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 as amended by (Amendment) P.C. Act 2018, Police Station ACB, Gurugram (Haryana).



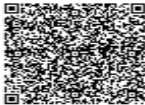
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely involved in the present case. In fact the petitioner was working as a steno in the office of Assistant Labour Commissioner and it has been falsely alleged that he had received a sum of Rs.6,000/- from the complainant in the present case. He next contends that the petitioner was arrested in the present case on 11.03.2025 and he is in custody for the last four months. He next contends that after completion of investigation, challan has been presented against him and charges are yet to be framed. Thus, the trial may not conclude in near future.

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. However, he admits that there is no other case against the petitioner and he is a first offender.

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

5. In the present case, the allegations against the petitioner point towards the seriousness of charge against him and he had allegedly accepted a sum of Rs.6,000/- from the complainant in the present case. However, this Court is conscious of the fact that he is in custody for the last more than 04 months and the trial may not conclude in near future. Thus, the further custody of the petitioner will 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