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

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Decided on : 23.12.2025**

Atul Jain

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Randeep S. Dhull, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Kumar Jhanda, Sr. DAG Haryana

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner- Atul Jain aged 41 years has filed instant petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.), seeking regular bail in case FIR No. 182, dated 01.08.2024, registered under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC, 1860 at Police Station Industrial Area, District Bhiwani.
2. FIR has been registered at the instance of complainant Rahul with the allegation that he is 10+2 passed and a student of B.A.(3rd year). Apart this, he is a national level wrestler and used to participate in wrestling tournaments. During which period, he came into contact with Kuldeep and Arjun, and in July 2023, they made him to meet other co-accused, namely, Surender and Atul Jain and told that both of them are able to provide employment to unemployed persons in Indian Agriculture Research Institute, New Delhi. On being allured by them for getting the employment as Clerk, he had paid an amount Rs. 10 lakhs. Details of the payments made on several occasions in the year 2023 have been mentioned in the

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FIR. Thereafter, complainant was handed over a fake joining letter/appointment letter. Neither the amount was paid back, nor the actual appointment letter was ever given to the complainant, from the accused persons.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that total amount of Rs. 10 lacs have been paid to co-accused Kuldeep, Arjun and Surender whereas as per allegations levelled by the prosecution, an amount of Rs. 2 lacs has been paid to Atul Jain. He further submits that other co-accused Deepak Kumar, has been extended the concession of anticipatory bail by the coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 09.12.2024 passed in CRM-M-61527-2024 and regular bail to co-accused Kuldeep and Arjun vide order dated 08.10.2025 passed in CRM-M-43782-2025 and CRM-M-49355-2025. Further submits that age of petitioner Atul Jain is about 41 years, he is behind the bars since 19.06.2025. There being no truthfulness in the allegations, unless the trial is culminated finally and liberty of petitioner cannot be curtailed by detaining them for indefinite period. Thus, prays for grant of regular bail.

4. On the other hand, learned Sr. DAG Punjab, Mr. Pawan Kumar Jhanda argues that investigation has been completed and challan has also been submitted, though, charges are yet to be framed and thereupon list of total 26 prosecution witnesses has to be exhausted. He does not dispute that all the offences are triable by the Court of learned Magistrate.

5. I have considered the submissions addressed by learned counsel from both the sides and also examined the record alongwith the appended documents. All the offences are triable by the Court of learned Magistrate. The petitioner is inside the jail since 19.06.2025 and his any longer incarceration is not going to serve any meaningful purpose, to the prosecution or to any other urgency for just



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decision of the trial.

6. Truthfulness in the allegations and also as to whether there was any fault of the complainant, who attempted to secure job by paying money is yet to be ascertained by the trial Court.

7. Accordingly, the petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Illaqa Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

8. Needless to observe that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witness in any manner directly or indirectly.

9. The observation made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case and the Trial Court is expected to decide the case on the basis of complete evidence available on record.

10. Petition stands disposed of.

11. Pending misc. application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

December 23, 2025

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**(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: YES/NO
Whether Reportable: YES/NO