



213(1st case)

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

**CRM-M-58893-2024 (O&M)**

**Date of decision : 19.05.2025**

Sunil Kejriwal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU**

Present: Mr. Samay Singh Sandhawalia, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, DAG, Haryana.

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**MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.**

Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'the BNSS'), for grant of bail pending trial to the petitioner in FIR No.173 dated 13.05.2023, under Sections 364A, 386, 406, 420, 506, 370, 384 and 120-B of Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC') and Section 24 of Emigration Act, 1983, registered at Police Station Pundri, District Kaithal.

2. Custody Certificate dated 16.05.2025 *qua* petitioner has been produced. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof supplied to the opposite side.

Registry to do the needful.

3. Allegations are that petitioner along with co-accused had duped the de facto complainant to the tune of Rs.68,74,000/- on the pretext of sending his son abroad.



4. Contends that the petitioner was not named in the FIR; rather nominated on the basis of disclosure made by co-accused. Also contends that no money has been entrusted or received by the petitioner from complainant side till date. Further contends that petitioner is in custody since 03.12.2023; after investigation, final report under Section 173 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short 'Cr.P.C.') was presented on 17.02.2024; charges were framed on 19.11.2024 and out of total 22 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has duly acknowledged the factum of custody as well as status of trial. However, he opposed the prayer on the ground that allegations are serious in nature.

6. Heard both sides and perused the paper-book.

7. It transpires that petitioner is in custody since 03.12.2023; after investigation, final report under Section 173 of Cr.P.C. was presented on 17.02.2024; charges were framed on 19.11.2024 and out of total 22 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far; therefore, conclusion of trial may take sufficient long time. Moreover, it is not the objection raised by State that in case, petitioner is released on bail, he may influence the witnesses or hamper the course of trial, in any manner; thus, further incarceration of the petitioner would not serve any purpose.

8. Consequently, present petition is allowed; petitioner shall be admitted to bail on furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of



learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

9. Petitioner shall appear on each & every date of hearing and to fully co-operate with learned trial Court without seeking any unnecessary adjournment(s).

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 recurrence or any misuse of concession of bail on the part of the petitioner, State would be at liberty to move an appropriate application for recalling of this order.

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

**19.05.2025**

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**(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking / reasoned :

Yes

No

Whether Reportable :

Yes

No