



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

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CRM-M-41615-2025

Date of Decision : 16.09.2025

DEV GERA

.... PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

.... RESPONDENTS

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present : Mr.L.S.Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Aditya Pal Singla, AAG, Haryana.

Mr.Ajay Singh Ghangas, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.463 dated 13.06.2025, under Sections 3(5), 316(2), 318(2), 336(3), 338, 340, 351(2) of BNS, 2023 registered at Police Station Panipat City, District Panipat.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner is in custody since 15.06.2025 i.e. 03 months and 01 day. Investigation has already been completed in this matter, challan was presented on 10.09.2025. The offence is triable by Magistrate. The petitioner is having clean and clear antecedents and not involved in any criminal activity except the present one. The present matter is of civil nature.



3. Status report by way of affidavit as well as custody certificate of the petitioner filed by learned State counsel is taken on record.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Rajbir submitted that investigation has been completed in this matter and the challan was filed on 10.09.2025.

5. Learned counsel for the complainant/respondent No.2 opposed the bail application on the ground that the petitioner has cheated the respondent to the tune of Rs.95 lakhs as initially they have made a promise that on investment, they will be made partner in the firm M/s DEV Handloom but lateron they have not executed the partnership deed and cheated him.

5. Heard.

5. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case as the investigation has already been completed in this matter; the present petitioner is in custody since 15.06.2024; he is not required for any custodial interrogation; trial will take time to conclude; the matter is based on documentary evidence as per the allegations that the petitioner has received amount in the account of M/s Dev Handloom and there is no material on the file to show that the present petitioner is involved in some other criminal activity, this Court deems it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

6. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed with a condition as enumerated under Section 482 (2) of Cr.P.C. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial



Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

16.09.2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No