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

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**CRM-M-5821-2025**

**Date of decision: May 20, 2025**

HARINDER SINGH @ BABBU

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**

Present: Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Deol, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Tushar Sabharwal, Advocate  
for the complainant.

**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)**

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.246 dated 29.12.2019 under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Sadar Patiala, District Patiala (Annexure P-1).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the outset, submits that during the pendency of the instant petition, the parties have resolved all their disputes and arrived at a compromise (Annexure P-7). He submits that in the circumstances, further incarceration of the petitioner, who has now been in custody since 24.08.2024, would serve no useful purpose.

3. Learned counsel for the complainant does not dispute the submissions made by the counsel opposite, and therefore, has not opposed his prayer for being extended the concession of bail.



4. Learned State counsel, however, has submitted that the petitioner has previous criminal antecedents; there are direct and specific allegations levelled against the petitioner in the FIR in question of having cheated the complainant and having committed a fraud upon him by duping him of an amount of Rs.6 lakhs on the pretext of providing him a Government job. On further instructions, learned State counsel has submitted that 3 out of the 16 prosecution witnesses stand examined.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the relevant material placed on record.

6. As not disputed by the learned counsel for the complainant, the parties have amicably settled their dispute and arrived at an amicable settlement. In the circumstances, further incarceration of the petitioner would serve no useful purpose.

7. In the facts and circumstances as enumerated hereinabove, this Court deems it fit to extend the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

8. Accordingly, the instant petition is allowed, and the petitioner be admitted to bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

9. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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10. Needless to add here, in case the petitioner is found misusing the concession of bail, the State would be at liberty to approach this Court to seek cancellation of bail to him.

**May 20, 2025**  
*Jaspreet Kaur*

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned* : *Yes/No*

*Whether reportable* : *Yes/No*