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

CRM-M-40648-2025

Date of decision : 31.07.2025

Hari Krishnan J.

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Arun Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition is for directing the respondent to release the passport of the petitioner in case FIR No.14 dated 15.05.2024 under Section 419, 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC and Section 66(D) of Information and Technology Act, 2000, registered at Police Station Punjab State Cyber Crime Police, SAS Nagar, District (Crime Wing) SAS Nagar.

2. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner was directed to surrender his passport during the investigation, which he duly deposited with the Investigating Agencies. He has submitted that the investigation is now complete and the petitioner wants to visit abroad. He has thus submitted that the passport surrendered by the petitioner before the Investigating Agencies be released to the petitioner. He has submitted that the petitioner approached the Court of learned trial Court by way of filing an application but the same has been declined by the learned trial Court on the ground that condition of



surrendering the passport has been imposed by this Court.

3. Notice of motion.
4. On asking of the Court, Mr. J. S. Arora, DAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. He has though submitted that the investigation is complete, however he has apprehension that the petitioner can flee from the Country as only challan has been presented so far.
5. On hearing learned counsel for the parties and perusing the record, this Court finds that the petitioner was directed to surrender his passport at the time of granting bail to him. Needless to say that if the petitioner wants to leave the Country, the same is subject to the prior permission of this Court.
6. In view of the above, trial Court is requested to release the passport of the petitioner subject to the condition that for leaving the Country, prior permission of this Court would be applicable.
7. Present petition stands disposed of.

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No