

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

**CRM-M No. 13293 of 2015.  
Date of Decision : 13.05.2015.**

**Pardeep**

**...Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Haryana**

**...Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA**

Present: Mr. Vishal Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Sidhu, Addl. Advocate General, Haryana.

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**Tejinder Singh Dhindsa, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner seeks the benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No. 137, dated 02.03.2013, under Sections 328/364/364-A/120-B of the Indian Penal Code and Section 25 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Gurgaon, District Gurgaon.

The FIR was registered on the complaint of Pawan Abbi. Allegations are that the present petitioner along with other co-accused had kidnapped Mr. Sunil Bedi, Managing Director of JMD Company, Gurgaon as also his son, namely, Karan Bedi, Director of the Company and had demanded a sum of ₹20 crores as ransom. An amount of ₹10 lacs as also jewellery were alleged to have been taken from the Managing Director of the Company, namely, Sunil Bedi.

The petitioner has been in custody since 02.03.2013.

It has gone uncontroverted that no recovery has been effected from the present petitioner.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from HC Parveen Kumar would apprise the Court that material witnesses PW13 Sunil Bedi and PW14 Karan Bedi have already been examined before the

trial Court. Even complainant Pawan Abbi has also been examined. However, out of 30 prosecution witnesses cited, 14 have been examined till date and as such the trial would take time to conclude.

The petitioner is not stated to be involved in any other criminal proceedings.

It is also not the case made out on behalf of the State that if concession of bail is granted to the petitioner, he would be in a position to hamper the course of trial.

Without making any observation on the merits of the case and keeping in view of the custody period already suffered by the petitioner, petition is allowed. Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the trial Court/ Duty Magistrate Magistrate, Gurgaon.

Disposed of.

**May 13, 2015.**  
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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)**  
**JUDGE**