

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

CRM-M No.22772 of 2015

Date of Decision: 10.09.2015

Naveen Kumar and another

..... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Nitin Thatai, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Rimplejeet Kaur, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent along with ASI Karnail Singh.

Mr. Har Kamal Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

The prayer is for grant of regular bail on behalf of the father and brother of the main accused-Rajat Kumar, who admittedly was the friend of the deceased-Mandeep Singh @ Deep in case FIR No.161 dated 12.10.2014, under Sections 302, 365 and 201 of the Indian Penal Code, registered with Police Station Division No.7, Ludhiana.

It has come on record during investigation that both Rajat Kumar and deceased-Mandeep Singh were drug addicts.

The case of the prosecution is based on circumstantial evidence in the shape of last seen evidence of one Mewa Singh, who has stated that he had seen deceased-Mandeep Singh go along with his friend-Rajat Kumar and the present two petitioners on 06.10.2014 at Bus Stand, Ludhiana. The body of deceased-Mandeep Singh was found on 07.10.2014 on the road side near Gurudwara in Phillaur City.

Learned Counsel for the parties have been heard at length.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, keeping in view the custody period and the facts of the case as noticed above, this Court finds that petitioners/accused-Naveen Kumar and Shubham Kumar deserve the concession of regular bail and as such they are ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate, Ludhiana.

Disposed of.

September 10, 2015

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**