

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

CRM-M-14785 of 2016

Date of Decision: 26 July, 2016

Raghbir

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present: Mr. A.S. Sullar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Munish Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

Mrs. Baljit Mann, Advocate
for the complainant.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J.

The allegations in this regular bail application under Section 439 Cr.P.C against the petitioner-Raghbir are that during the intervening night of 27.7.2014 the deceased Sonu had gone to meet Monika, daughter of the petitioner at her house and, subsequently, his dead body was recovered from the courtyard of the house. Statement of Mehar Singh, first cousin of the deceased was recorded to the effect that he too had accompanied the deceased and when they were accosted he managed to slip away and, subsequently, the deceased was lynched by the family of the girl.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that it

was a blind murder and that the very presence of the complainant-eye-witness Mehar Singh is highly unnatural and that the petitioner is in custody since long time and that the trial is not likely to be accomplished in near future.

The bail application is opposed by learned State counsel assisted by Mrs. Baljit Mann, learned counsel for the complainant on the grounds that it was a case of honour killing and that a definite role has been assigned to the petitioner and that the similarly placed co-accused /Satbir was declined concession of bail vide order dated 10.3.2016 of this Court.

Appreciating the submissions, it is a case of honour killing, the trial is underway and the apprehension expressed by the complainant side that if allowed bail, the petitioner would certainly influence the witnesses is not unfounded.

Thus, in view of the heinousness of the offence and the seriousness of the allegations together with the fact that the bail of similarly placed co-accused has already been declined no ground to allow the present bail application is made out.

Dismissed.

(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

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