

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

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CRM-M-21569-2016

Date of Decision: July 15, 2016

SUKHDEEP SINGH @ RAJI @ RAJU
VERSUS

.....PETITIONER

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B. CHAUDHARI

Present: Mr.Prashant Vashisth, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.Shailesh Gupta, Addl.A.G. Punjab.

A.B. CHAUDHARI, J.(Oral)

Heard learned counsel for the rival parties and perused the FIR in question, namely, FIR No.177 dated 14.10.2012, registered under Sections 364,302,201 and 120-B IPC at Police Station Sadar Khanna, Ludhiana.

Admittedly, the FIR was registered after delay of six years. The petitioner was arrested and investigation has progressed.

Learned State counsel submits that statement of Manager of hotel, where kidnapers of the deceased stayed, was recorded. Co-accused has disclosed the name of the petitioner. The co-accused of the petitioner was granted anticipatory bail by this Court.

Challan has been filed. Three witnesses have been examined. In the wake of the above factual circumstances there is no point in keeping the petitioner in jail as an undertrial, since the challan has been filed and particularly keeping in view the nature of evidence available against him.

In that view of the matter the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court.

**July 15, 2016
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**(A.B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE**