

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

CRM-M-31630-2016 (O&M)
Date of decision : 21.10.2016

Pritpal Singh @ Preet

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Harkeerat Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Harsimrat Rai, DAG, Punjab,
assisted by ASI Vishan Lal.

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been preferred under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail in FIR No.74 dated 05.07.2016, registered under Sections 307, 420, 468, 148 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code and Section 25 of the Arms Act, at P.S. Sadar, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Contends that no overt act or injury has been attributed to the petitioner. The petitioner does not even know Ranjit Singh Sidhu, against whom co-accused Yadwinder Singh had allegedly been having a grudge. In fact, co-accused Yadwinder Singh @ Chandi was lodged in Modern Jail, Faridkot as on the date of occurrence. The petitioner is in custody since 05.07.2016.

On the other hand, learned State counsel has opposed the instant petition. On instructions, learned State counsel submits that the petitioner has been specifically named in the FIR and was apprehended from

the spot along with weapon. He being member of the gang, wanted to eliminate one Ranjit Singh.

Heard.

The petitioner is in custody since 05.07.2016. No overt act or injury has been attributed to him. Though, the challan has been presented, but the charges are yet to be framed, therefore, it can safely be inferred that the conclusion of the trial may take time.

Keeping in view the above, without adverting to the merits of the instant case, this petition is allowed. The petitioner be admitted to bail during the pendency of the trial, on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds, to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

However, anything noticed hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No