

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

CRM No.M-31935 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: September 14, 2016

Sukhpal Singh @ Gori

...Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr.H.S.Gill, Advocate
for the petitioner.

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.265 dated 24.09.2014 under Sections 302, 364, 201 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Barnala City, District Barnala.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Ms.Shivali, Asstt. Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepted notice on behalf of the respondent-State and contested the petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

Police record is also available.

From the record, I find that FIR in the present case has been registered on the statement of Kulwant Singh. Gurpreet Singh deceased is

stated to have illicit relations with Kulwinder Kaur. Sukhpal Singh @ Gori is the husband of Kulwinder Kaur. The allegations are that Kulwinder Kaur's brother Keema Singh, Jaswinder Singh @ Gaga, Sukhdeep Singh @ Deepa and Sukhjit Singh @ Cippy along with present petitioner have murdered Gurpreet Singh. It is also in the FIR that Gurpreet Singh was earlier kidnapped by the accused and he was killed and his body was disposed of by them.

Keeping in view the nature and gravity of the offence and in view of the fact the present petitioner is one of the main accused and if he is released on bail, he may tamper with the evidence, I do not find it a fit case where petitioner is entitled to benefit of regular bail.

Therefore, finding no merit in the present case the same is dismissed. However, as the petitioner is in custody since 20.10.2014, therefore, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial by giving short adjournments and if required, even day to day adjournments. The Investigating Officer/SHO concerned is directed to produce the remaining witnesses before the trial Court at the earliest i.e. on next 2-3 dates.

September 14, 2016
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(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No