

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

***CRM No.M-4393 of 2016
Date of decision : 17.03.2016***

Vijay Kumar @ Sonu

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Deepak Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Manpreet Dhaliwal, AAG, Punjab.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.47 dated 18.06.2015, under Sections 457/380 IPC, registered at Police Station Kot Dharmu, District Mansa.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

FIR in question was registered on the statement of Gurdeep Singh. Allegations are pertaining to theft having taken place on the intervening night of 17/18.06.2015 from the residence of the complainant. It was alleged that gold ornaments weighing a total of 15 tolas and cash of Rs.25,000/- was stolen.

It is blind FIR and in which no assailants had been named.

During the course of investigation, the present petitioner has been implicated and arrested on 07.10.2015.

Investigation in the present case having been completed, challan has also been presented.

Learned State counsel would however apprise this Court that charges till date have not been framed.

The prayer for grant of bail is opposed by learned State counsel by submitting that the petitioner is involved in 5 other FIRs registered on similar and identical allegations. A copy of the custody certificate of the petitioner has been furnished in Court today and which contains the details of such FIRs.

Perusal of the same would reveal that in these FIRs, all under Sections 457/380 IPC, the same having been registered between the period from 19.05.2015 to 26.06.2015.

Under such circumstances, contention raised by counsel appearing for the petitioner that false cases are being foisted upon the petitioner only upon allegedly being involved in one matter cannot be said to be completely without merit.

Trial in the present case is still at the very initial stage.

In an overview of the matter, petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petition is allowed. Petitioner be enlarged on bail in FIR No.47 dated 18.06.2015, under Sections 457/380 IPC, registered at Police Station Kot Dharmu, District Mansa subject to satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Mansa.

Disposed of.

17.03.2016

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**