

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM No.M-13304 of 2016
Date of decision: 08.02.2017

Banta Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present:- Mr. Rajvir Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Manpreet Dhaliwal, AAG, Punjab.

RITU BAHRI, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.68 dated 18.06.2015 under Sections 302 and 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Roopnagar, District Roopnagar.

The petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased-Satwinder Kaur, who had died on account of taking some poisonous substance.

In the FIR (Annexure P-1), complainant-Jaspal Kaur, mother of the deceased stated that my son-in-law is working in Army and about 10 days ago, her son-in-law had come on leave. Her daughter-Satwinder Kaur on 16.06.2015 had telephonically informed her that her husband, brother-in-law, father-in-law and mother-in-law were harassing her. Thereafter, on 17.06.2015, she was given poison by her husband-Kashmir Singh, Jeth-Jinder Singh, Jethani-Babli, father-in-law-Banta Singh and mother-in-law-Shakuntla Devi which led to her death.

At this stage, reference can be made to the statement of Navneet Kaur, daughter of the deceased under Section 164, Cr.P.C.

whereby she has stated that on the day of death of her mother, Panchayat had come in our house, my father grand-father and grand-mother were sitting in the Panchayat. The dispute was with regard to one house where the deceased (mother) wanted to shift and her father opposing the idea and told that we will shift to that house after his retirement. The age of Navneet Kaur is 11 years. The charges in the present case have not been framed by learned trial Court.

Petitioner is in custody since 20.02.2016.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail during pendency of the trial of the present case, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Roopnagar.

Needless to mention that, nothing observed here-in-above, would reflect, on merits in the trial of the main case, in any manner.

08.02.2017
Dinesh Bansal

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No