

Criminal Misc. M- No. 17710 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision : July 19, 2017

Manjit Singh @ Mitti

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILLPresent: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

The petitioner prays for bail pending trial in FIR No. 08 dated 19.02.2017 registered under Section 306 IPC at Police Station Taragarh, District Pathankot.

It is submitted that in fact the petitioner and the deceased had friendly relations with each other and they wished to solemnise marriage. However, this was not to the liking of the complainant, who was pressuring his daughter to marry someone else. It is for this reason that she committed suicide and the allegations raised in the FIR against the petitioner are incorrect. The petitioner, it is submitted, is not involved in any other case. Charge, in this case, has already been framed against the petitioner. It is, thus, prayed that this petition be allowed.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions, from ASI Surinder Singh, submits that specific allegations have been raised against

the petitioner. It is, however, not denied that final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has been presented and charge framed against the petitioner. The petitioner, it is verified, is not involved in any other criminal case.

There are no allegations on behalf of the State that petitioner is likely to abscond or that he is likely to dissuade the witnesses from deposing true facts in the Court, if released on bail. Trial in this case is not likely to conclude in the near future.

No useful purpose shall be served by keeping the petitioner incarcerated any longer. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances noted above but without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, it is considered just and expedient to allow this petition.

Consequently, the petitioner be released on bail pending trial subject to his furnishing requisite bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

It is reiterated that none of the observations made herein above are a reflection on the merits of the case and shall have no bearing on the trial.

July 19, 2017
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No