

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-17760 of 2017
Date of Decision:-09.08.2017**

Manpreet Singh @ Manna

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

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

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.67 dated 7.5.2016, under Sections 323, 324, 427, 452, 295-A, 506, 148, 149 IPC (later on added Section 307 IPC), registered at Police Station Sadar, Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is in custody since 12.5.2016. In whole FIR, no role has been attributed to the petitioner and he was not present at the scene of occurrence.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Davinder Singh states that though the name of the petitioner does not figure in the FIR, however, in another case i.e. FIR No.110 dated 6.6.2016, under

Sections 399, 402 and 472 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sahnewal, District Ludhiana, he has confessed his participation in the FIR. He states that in addition to the present case the petitioner is also involved in two more cases i.e. FIR No.69 dated 8.5.2016, under Sections 307, 452, 382, 324, 148, 149 IPC, P.S. Sadar, Ludhiana and FIR No.32 of 2015, under Sections 307, 452, 382, 324, 148, 149 IPC.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

There is no dispute that the name of the petitioner does not figure in the present FIR. No specific role has been attributed to him by the injured/complainant. The petitioner is in custody since 12.5.2016 and trial in the case is yet to begin with, as no prosecution witness has been examined so far. Accordingly, the petition is **accepted**. The petitioner is admitted on regular bail on furnishing of his bail bonds and surety bonds subject to satisfaction of the trial Court.

It is made clear that the observations made herein above shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the trial Court shall decide the case on the basis of available evidence on record.

August 09, 2017
Vijay Asija

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No