

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

**CRM-M-22325 of 2017
Decided on:27.06.2017**

Gurlal Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

(2)

**CRM-M-22330 of 2017
Decided on:27.06.2017**

Gurlal Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

(3)

**CRM-M-22333 of 2017
Decided on:27.06.2017**

Gurlal Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

**Present: Mr. Parminder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.**

Mr. Parveen Aggarwal, Deputy A. G. Haryana.

Sudip Ahluwalia, J. (Oral)

The petitioner in this case, registered under Sections 294/506 of IPC was declared as proclaimed offender. He voluntarily surrendered himself before the concerned trial Magistrate. He was similarly declared a proclaimed offender in two other cases being FIR No.6 dated 07.01.2015 under Section 148/ 149/ 323/ 324/ 325/ 506 IPC and FIR 330 dated 13.10.1996 under Sections 186/ 332/ 353 IPC. His prayer for bail was

rejected by the learned vacation Judge, Karnal by similar orders being passed on 09.06.2017 in which it was observed that the petitioner is a habitual offender as he was involved in as many as 23 cases over a period of 26 years starting from the year 1990 to 2016. It now transpires that over this period of time the petitioner has already been acquitted as many as 19 of the cases against him. Per se the offences for which he is now facing trial can not be described as “exceptionally grievous”. The petitioner is obviously of a political background having twice held the post of Sarpanch of village Balu, Police Station Nissing, District Karnal.

Consequently, his implication/involvement in various cases at the instant of political opponents cannot be altogether ruled out. Admittedly, he no longer holds the Public Office and is, therefore, apparently not in a position to tamper with the evidence or influence witnesses. For the above reasons this Court finds no reason to detain the petitioner any further.

He is, therefore, ordered to be released on bail in this case and other connected cases, subject to imposition of appropriate terms and conditions as per discretion of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Karnal.

(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

27.06.2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No