

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

Crl. Misc. M-37467 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: October 24, 2017

Mandeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Mandeep Kaushik, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. A.S. Dhaliwal, DAG Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.11 dated 15.01.2017, under Section 306 of Indian Penal Code (later on added offences under Sections 498-A, 406, 427, 420, 494 and 120-B of IPC) registered at Police Station Jodhan, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 23.05.2017. It is submitted that the allegations as set up in the FIR would not be sustainable qua the petitioner. It is also argued that other co-accused have already been granted anticipatory bail. It is also contended that investigation is complete and charges have been framed, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be

enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, opposes the bail application.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that investigation is complete and charges have been framed, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind the custody. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

October 24, 2017
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No