

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

CRM No. M-46123 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 20.02.2017

Bhagat Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Ravi Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak K. Grewal, DAG, Haryana.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

This order shall dispose of the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking benefit of regular bail to the petitioner pending trial in case FIR No.253 dated 10.10.2016, under Section 379-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Hassanpur, District Palwal, Haryana.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

Briefly noticed FIR came to be registered on the statement of Mohd. Nizam. Complainant had alleged that while working as a driver on a truck and having unloaded a consignment of cement, 5 boys had intercepted the vehicle and had snatched his wallet from the pocket. Thereafter, the assailants were alleged to have followed the vehicle on a motorcycle and upon a telephone call having been placed on the control room, a police party arrived. Assailants were apprehended and one out of them was the present petitioner, namely, Bhagat Singh.

Petitioner has been in custody since 10.10.2016.

As per prosecution version, the recovery of a motorcycle has

been effected from co-accused, Rakesh and not from the present petitioner.

Co-accused, Rakesh has been granted benefit of bail by this Court in the light of order dated 14.02.2017 passed in CRM-M-1055-2017.

Investigation in the case is complete, challan has been presented and even charges have been framed.

State counsel apprises the Court that out of 14 prosecution witnesses cited, none has been examined till date.

Trial is still at the initial stage. Against the backdrop of offence of snatching of a wallet, length of incarceration already suffered by the petitioner and the trial being at the very initial stage, petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petition is allowed. Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Palwal.

Disposed of.

20.02.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | No |