

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-6499 of 2017
Date of Decision : 29.08.2017

Parminder Singh @ Pindri ...Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab ...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. G.B.S. Dhillon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J.(Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 113, dated 30.12.2015, under Sections 307, 364, 365, 148, 149, 120-B IPC and Sections 25, 54, 59 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Kiratpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that allegations in the FIR are that one Sukhpreet Singh had been abducted by the petitioner along with other co-accused. Learned counsel further contends that it is a case of no injury and even as per the prosecution version, Sukhpreet Singh was released on the very next day. He also contends that Sukhpreet Singh has filed an affidavit that he was not abducted by the petitioner and the accused were named on the basis of misunderstanding. A copy of the affidavit is annexed as Annexure P-1. Learned counsel also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over one year and three months and similarly situated co-accused, namely, Satnam Singh and Gurbachan Singh were granted regular bail by the Sessions Court on 24.02.2016 and 25.02.2016 respectively.

Learned counsel further contends that co-accused Baljinder @

Billa was granted anticipatory bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM No. M-42192 of 2016, decided on 13.12.2016.

Status report in the form of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sri Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar has been filed, wherein, it is stated that upon completion of the investigation, challan has been presented in the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate Sri Anandpur Sahib on 04.06.2016 and the same is now pending for committal proceeding under Section 209 Cr.P.C. before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Sri Anandpur Sahib. It is also stated in the affidavit that the petitioner is involved in several criminal cases in various police stations of Punjab and Haryana but the details thereof have not been set out in the petition.

Heard.

The petitioner has been in custody for over one year and three months. The trial has not commenced in the case as yet. It is a case of no injury and similarly situated co-accused have already been extended the benefit of bail.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner, namely, Parminder Singh @ Pindri is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing adequate security and bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

August 29, 2017
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned?</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable?</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>