

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

Crl. Misc. M-10613 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: March 19, 2018

Baljinder @ Rani and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Ms. Rajvinder Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mrs. Anju Arora, Addl. AG Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioners in case FIR No.173 dated 13.11.2017, under Sections 363, 366, 120-B of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Morinda, District Rupnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners herein were taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 13.11.2017. It is submitted that the petitioners are falsely implicated in the present case. It is also contended that investigation is complete in the matter, as the challan has already been presented and conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, therefore, the petitioners are entitled to the enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-

State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioners, while contending that the offences alleged against the petitioners are serious in nature.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time to conclude and in view of the facts that the petitioners herein have been in custody since 13.11.2017 and that investigation is complete in the matter, as the challan has already been presented, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioners behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioners are 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.

March 19, 2018
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No