

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

Crl. Misc.M-12725-2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: July 19, 2018

Baljeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. G.S.Kaura, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rajni Gupta, Sr. 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.113 dated 09.11.2017, under Section 306 of Indian Penal Code registered at Police Station Banur, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 11.11.2017. It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case while further submitting that all material witnesses have since been examined. It is also submitted that in the cross-examination, the complainant has also stated that his daughter was harassed without any reason after just two months of the marriage. It is also argued that there are two minor daughters(twins) and there is no one else to look after their

welfare as the complainant has not agreed to look after the minor children and that the conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, 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 grant of regular bail to the petitioner, while submitting that offences alleged against the petitioner are serious in nature, however, she does not dispute the fact that material witnesses have since been examined and the petitioner herein is no more required for any custodial interrogation.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 11.11.2017, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. 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.

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No