

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

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CRM-M No.2487 of 2018
Date of Decision: January 30th, 2018

Surjeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. D.S. Virk, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kuldeep Sharma, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.147 dated 26.08.2017 under Sections 124-A, 148, 149, 186, 188, 307, 332, 333, 353, 385, 427, 436 IPC and Sections 3 and 4 of Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act, 1984, registered at Police Station Sadar, Sirsa, District Sirsa.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case. He contends that even going by the allegations, it is stated that the petitioner was part of the mob which had destroyed the public property including a power house. He contends that although recovery of a *danda* has been shown from the petitioner but he being a 63 years old man could not have used the same as a weapon. He contends that the petitioner is in custody since 28.09.2017.

Counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Ram Kumar, Police Station Sadar, Sirsa, states that there are 62 witnesses. He contends that the petitioner along with the others has destroyed the public property and indulged in arson. He, however, could not dispute the fact that there are no specific allegations against the petitioner nor is he a leader of the cult.

Keeping in view the fact that the challan has already been presented and the trial is not likely to conclude soon when there are no specific allegations against the petitioner nor is he a leader or involved in the management, the present petition is allowed.

Petitioner-Surjeet Singh is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court, Sirsa.

January 30th, 2018
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No