

**Sr. No.223
IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM No. M-2821 of 2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 23.02.2018

Gurdeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. Ashok Paul Batra, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.80 dated 25.08.2017, under Sections 436, 427, 148, 149, 120-B, 188 IPC read with Sections 3 (I) (II) of the Prevention of Damages to Public Property Act, 1984 and Sections 3, 4 of Explosive Substances Act, 1908, registered at Police Station Kot Dharmu, District Mansa.

FIR came to be registered on the statement of Baljit Singh in relation to an alleged occurrence dated 25.08.2017.

Allegations are that about 17-18 persons arrived on motorcycles armed with Kirpan at the petrol pump proclaiming that their Guru of Sirsa has been wrongly convicted.

Allegations are that petrol was poured on a diesel pump machine and was set on fire. Damage to the diesel pump machine and other property has been assessed and quantified to be Rs.02 lacs.

Petitioner was arrested on 16.09.2017.

Investigation in the case is complete and even challan has been presented.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Ranjeet Singh, Police Station Kot Dharmu, Mansa appries the Court that recovery effected from the petitioner is that of motorcycle.

Trial is at the initial stage and would take time to conclude.

It has gone uncontroverted that a number of other co-accused including Darshan Ram have been granted benefit of bail.

Without making any observations on merits, 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, Mansa.

Disposed of.

23.02.2018

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes
No