

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

CRM-M-29044 of 2018

Date of Decision: 11.09.2018

Jagtar Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

Present: - Mr. Madan Sandhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. A.S. Gill, DAG, Punjab.

RAMENDRA JAIN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. has been made for grant of regular bail to petitioner Jagtar Singh in a case arising from FIR No.38 dated 19.08.2016 under Sections 302/325/120-B/336/148/149 IPC and 25/27/30/54/59 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sehna, District Barnala.

According to the prosecution, the petitioner is facing trial in the aforesaid FIR for committing murder of Bant Singh and Jagdev Singh.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that six co-accused of the petitioner having similar role, have been granted bail by this Court as well as by the trial Court. The only allegation against the petitioner is that rifle, which was used for murder of aforesaid persons, belongs to the petitioner. The petitioner has not been attributed any specific injury. The petitioner is in custody since 23.08.2016. Conclusion of trial may take a long time. No useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars.

On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the application.

Considering overall facts and circumstances and treating the case of the petitioner on the same parity as that of his co-accused, the petition is allowed. Consequently, petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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**(RAMENDRA JAIN)
JUDGE**

Yes/No
Yes/No