

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

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**Crl. Misc.M-29422 of 2018
Date of Decision: 03.08.2018**

Rajinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr.J.S.Thind, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms.Seena Mand, 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.114 dated 24.12.2015, under Section 376 of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Verowal, District Tarn Taran.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that all the allegations as made out in the FIR pertain to one Harpal Singh who has committed offence punishable under Section 376. It is also argued that the FIR that has been registered only mentions that the petitioner had beaten up the complainant and consumed liquor. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein is in custody in the aforesaid FIR since 15.06.2018. It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and 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 opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner, while submitting that the offences alleged against the petitioner are serious in nature.

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 15.06.2018 and conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, 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.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

03.08.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No.

Whether reportable-

Yes/No