

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

CRM-M-29804-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 24.7.2018

Rashpal Singh @ Ravinder Pal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Simranjeet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Rashpal Singh alias Ravinder Pal Singh has filed this petition seeking grant of regular bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.136 dated 18.10.2017, under Sections 392, 342, 506 IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, Police Station Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran; Sections 395, 411 and 120-B IPC added later on.

The allegations in nutshell are that a dacoity had taken place at Punjab National Bank, Branch Village Jamarai on 18.10.2017, in which an amount of ₹6,63,945/- was looted at the gun point by four unidentified persons. It is the case of the prosecution that subsequently the petitioner was arrested in connection with FIR No.121 dated 21.10.2017 under Section 21 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and that during the course of investigation of the said case, he suffered a disclosure

statement to the effect that he had participated in the dacoity at Punjab National Bank, Branch at Village Jamarai on 18.10.2017 and had received his share to the tune of ₹54,000/-. The said amount of ₹54,000/- was got recovered pursuant to the aforesaid statement. It is also the case of the prosecution that one .315 bore pistol along with three live cartridges were recovered from the petitioner.

Notice of this petition was issued to the State.

Learned State counsel has opposed the present petition.

The present petitioner has been behind the bars since 21.10.2017. In other words, he has been behind the bars since last about 9 months. Conclusion of trial is likely to take some time. No useful purpose will be served by detaining the petitioner behind bars any further. In view of abovesaid circumstances, the present petition is accepted and the petitioner Rashpal Singh alias Ravinder Pal Singh is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Tarn Taran.

This petition stands accepted accordingly.

July 24, 2018

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(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No