

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-3344-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 06.02.2018

Paramjit Singh & another

--Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. A.P. Batra, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, A.A.G., Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (Oral)

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

Learned counsel for the parties have been heard.

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 *Kirpans/Dandas/Baseball Bats* etc. at the petrol pump proclaiming that their Guru of Sirsa had been wrongly convicted. Further allegations are that petrol was poured on a diesel pump machine and was set afire. Damage to the diesel pump machine and other property to the extent of Rs.2 lakh was stated to have been caused.

Petitioners have been shown to be arrested in the present case on 30.9.2017.

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

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Ranjit Singh would concede that petitioners herein have been nominated on the basis of subsequent disclosure statements. No recovery, however, has been effected from the petitioners.

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

Co-accused namely Darshan Singh, Amolak Singh, Gagandeep Singh, Prithi Singh, Gamdoor Singh, Avtar Singh, Hardeep Singh and Sukhpal Singh have been granted benefit of bail by this Court.

In view of the above, this Court is of the considered view that no useful purpose would be served by confining the petitioners in custody till the conclusion of the trial.

Without making any observations on merits, present petition is allowed. Petitioners be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

Petition disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No