

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

CRM-M-35953-2018

Date of decision:31.10.2018

Hira Singh @ Hira

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Pritpal Singh Miglani, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Simranjeet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case registered vide FIR No.102 dated 7.6.2010 under Sections 382/34 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station B. Division, District Amritsar City.

The allegations in nut-shell are that the petitioner had snatched a gold chain from the wife of the complainant. Although the petitioner had been granted bail but he subsequently absconded and was declared a proclaimed person on 23.05.2013. Subsequently he was arrested on 28.02.2018 and thus seeks grant of regular bail.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the

petitioner has been behind the bars since last more than 8 months and that the trial Court is moving at snail's pace inasmuch as not even a single witness has been examined so far.

Learned State counsel while opposing the bail application submitted that in view of the conduct of the petitioner, no case for grant of bail is made out.

Having considered the rival contentions addressed before this Court and bearing in mind that the petitioner has been in custody since the last more than eight months and also that as of now not even a single witness has been examined so far, in my opinion, no fruitful purpose would be served by further detaining the petitioner behind bars. Accordingly, petitioner-Hira Singh @ Hira is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court.

It is however, made clear that in case the petitioner ever misuses the concession of bail or gets involved in any other identical offence, it shall be open for the prosecution to move an application for cancellation of bail.

This petition stands accepted accordingly.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

31.10.2018
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Whether reasoned / speaking? **Yes / No**

Whether reportable? **Yes / No**