

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Misc. No. M-3663 of 2018
Date of Decision: April 26, 2018

Satish

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. D.S. Randhawa, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr. Munish Sharma, AAG Haryana

Sudhir Mittal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 531 dated 20.08.2017, registered under Sections 379-B, 148, 149, 323, 307, 506 IPC and Sections 25, 54, 59 of the Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Hodal, District Palwal.

It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has been named in the FIR on the basis of an alleged phone call received by Bhupender Singh father of the complainant on 19.08.2017. However, there is no evidence on record to connect him with the crime. The challan has been filed in the Court but it not mentioned therein whether the call record of the petitioner supports the allegations that he had made a call on 19.08.2017 demanding ransom money. The investigation is complete and the petitioner has been in custody since 14.09.2017. No useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody indefinitely.

The prayer for regular bail is opposed by learned State counsel on the ground that a sum of Rs. 3,57,000/- has been looted by the petitioner and his co-accused in the incident on 20.08.2017 and injuries have been caused to the father of the complainant and others. That apart an attempt was also made by the petitioner to demand ransom and, thus, he does not deserves concession of regular bail.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties, I am of the view that as on date there is no evidence to link the petitioner with the alleged phone call made on 19.08.2017. It is also not established that he had caused any injury to the injured persons. The challan has already been presented and no useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody as the petitioner is not in a position to interfere with the investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the petitioner – Satish is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned.

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No