

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

CRM-M-43373-2017

Date of decision:- 12.1.2018

Ramandeep Singh @ Katia

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE H.S.MADAAN

Present: Mr.Mohit Sadana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr.Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr.D.A.G., Punjab.

H.S. MADAAN, J.

The instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for regular bail
bail has been filed by the petitioner - Ramandeep Singh @ Katia, an
accused in FIR No.64 dated 6.5.2016, under Sections 399/402 IPC and
Section 25 of the Arms Act, registered with Police Station City, Dhuri,
District Sangrur.

Briefly stated, facts of the case as per prosecution version are
that accused/petitioner along with co-accused had assembled for making
preparation for committing dacoity on 6.5.2016 at about 8:00 p.m. in the
area of near Grain Market, Dhuri having pistol of 12 bore, pistol 315 bore

and iron rods. Accused was arrested in this case and granted bail, however, he absented from the Court during trial on 26.10.2016, resultantly his bonds were cancelled and forfeited to the State and he was ordered to be summoned through non-bailable warrants of arrest. He was declared proclaimed offender on 10.1.2017. He could not be arrested for a long time, in that way he had misused the concession of bail. Learned Additional Sessions Judge, Sangrur while dismissing the petition for grant of regular bail moved by the petitioner there has observed that there is a history of absentism as regards the accused and the application moved there was third application for regular bail, earlier two applications have been dismissed vide orders dated 19.5.2017 and 18.7.2017.

Notice of the petition was given to respondent – State and counsel representing the State has put in appearance.

Learned State counsel has given the details of seven other criminal cases in which the petitioner is said to be involved, which is as under:

1. FIR No.97 dated 28.8.2009, under Sections 452, 323, 148, 149 IPC, Police Station Sadar, Dhuri.
2. FIR No.230 dated 18.12.2012, under Sections 324, 323, 506, 148, 149, Police Station City, Dhuri.
3. FIR No.100 dated 19.8.2013, under Sections 307, 353, 186, 412, 467, 471, 473, 34 IPC, Police Station Banur, Mohali.
4. FIR No.35 dated 4.4.2014, under Section 52-A, Police Station Kotwali, Nabha.
5. FIR No.14 dated 30.1.2016, under Section 21 of NDPS Act, Police

Station Sadar, Dhuri.

6. FIR No.33 dated 2.3.2016, under Sections 399, 402 IPC and 25 of Arms Act, Police Station Sangrur.

7. FIR No.64 dated 6.5.2016, under Sections 399, 402 IPC and 25 of Arm Act, Police Station City, Dhuri.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties besides going through the record and I find that no ground is made out to grant regular bail to the petitioner.

The allegations against the petitioner are very serious and grave and he comes out to be habitual offender. The apprehension expressed by the State counsel that if petitioner is granted bail, there is every likelihood to his absconding and even tampering with the prosecution evidence cannot be brushed aside lightly.

Therefore, finding no merit in the petition, the same stands dismissed.

12.1.2018
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(H.S.MADAAN)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No