

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

CRM-M-4863-2018 (O&M)

Date of decision:09.02.2018

Hardam Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

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

Present: Mr. Ripudaman Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL).

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.102, dated 25.08.2017, under Sections 307/353/186/148/149 IPC and Sections 25/27/54/59 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Kotbhai, District Shri Muktsar Sahib.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

FIR was registered on the statement of HC Amarjit Singh. It was alleged that certain dera followers had become agitated on account of conviction of Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh on 25.08.2017 and had damaged public property i.e. Railway Station Balluana and Telephone Exchange, Village Virk. Further allegations are that eight unnamed assailants came on three motorcycles and were armed with kappas and swords. The police party having signalled them to stop, the person sitting behind the motorcycle bearing registration No.PB-03-AP-4267 was carrying a 12 bore gun and who fired towards the complainant.

As per prosecution version, both the occupants of the motorcycle were over powered and apprehended on the spot and who

revealed their name as Pratap Singh S/o Jora Singh and the other person disclosed his father's name to be Lakhmir Singh.

It is a case of no injury.

The assailant who had resorted to firing has already been arrested on the spot.

There are no specific allegations against the present petitioner and who is sought to be nominated on the basis of statement of co-accused.

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

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

Petitioner has faced incarceration since 03.10.2017.

Without making any observations on merit, petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to satisfaction of the Trial Court /Duty Magistrate concerned.

Disposed of.

09.02.2018

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |