

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

**CRM-M-6962-2018
Date of decision: 13.03.2018**

Manjit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. A. S. Sandhu, Addl. A. G., Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 85 dated 08.05.2017, under Sections 452, 323, 354-A, 506, 427, 148 and 149 of the IPC (Sections 308 and 325 were added later on), registered at Police Station Division No. 1, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar.

It is contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case and he is in custody since 31.10.2017. It is also contended that injury attributed to the petitioner herein is injury No. 1 which simple in nature while also submitting that there is a cross version from the side of the petitioner as well. It is further submitted that under the same FIR, co-accused Amarjit Singh and Sandeep Singh have already been granted regular bail by this Court on 11.10.2017 and 08.12.2017, respectively. Counsel for the petitioner also submits that since the trial is likely to take some time, the petitioner should be enlarged on regular bail.

Mr. A. S. Sandhu, Addl. A. G., Punjab, has appeared on behalf of respondent-State and opposed the grant of regular bail to the petitioner, however, he is not able to dispute that the co-accused have already been granted regular bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since the petitioner is in custody since 31.10.2017; co-accused have already been granted regular bail and the trial is likely to take some time, no useful purpose would be served in keeping him in custody furthermore. Hence, the present petition is accepted. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

However, any opinion expressed herein is for the purpose of grant of regular bail and not an opinion on the merits of the case.

13.03.2018

Waseem Ansari

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No