

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

**CRM-M-8384-2018
Date of decision: 22.10.2018**

Vikram Singh @ Vicky Badshah

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. J. S. Bains, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, 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. 143 dated 11.09.2016, under Sections 324, 307 and 34 of the IPC, registered at Police Station Nangal, District Roopnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that co-accused of the petitioner, namely Jagtar Singh @ Kala @ Chamkila, has already been granted concession of regular bail, vide order dated 26.09.2018 passed by this Court in **CRM-M-41540-2018**.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and he is in judicial custody since 09.10.2016 and has undergone substantive judicial custody of more than two years and the trial is going at a very slow pace.

Custody certificate, filed by learned State counsel, is taken on record. Learned State counsel, on the basis of the custody certificate and on instructions from ASI Gurnam Singh, has not disputed the factual position

and submits that out of total 16 prosecution witnesses, 14 have been examined and petitioner is not involved in any other case.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering the fact that the petitioner is in judicial custody for the last two years; he is not involved in any other case and the case is at the stage of recording of prosecution evidence; the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

October 22, 2018
Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No