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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.8963 of 2018

Date of Decision: 12.03.2018

LAL CHAND @ LALI

.....Petitioner

Vs

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Sarbjit Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, D.A.G., Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioner seeks grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.73 dated 08.04.2017, registered under Sections 302/323/148/149 IPC at Police Station Cantonment, Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that in the initial statement of complainant namely Deepika, there was no complicity of the petitioner, however in the statement of Shami (injured), the alleged attribution was made against the petitioner to the extent of inflicting *datar* blow from the reverse side on his forehead. The said injury was found to be simple in nature. The petitioner also gave *lalkara* for commission of the offence.

Learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner

has not caused any injury to Abhishek @ Janu. The co-accused namely Jyoti, Manjit Singh @ Kali and Balkar Sing @ Raju @ Murli have already been granted regular bail by the High Court in CRM-M No.31108 of 2017 on 25.09.2017, CRM-M No.45238 of 2018 on 29.01.2018 and CRM-M No.5316 of 2018 on 16.02.2018 respectively.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Balwinder Singh however opposed the prayer for grant of regular bail.

At this stage, without adverting to the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to treat the petitioner at par with Balkar Singh @ Raju @ Murli and release the petitioner on regular bail, who is in custody since 10.04.2017.

In view of above, petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be enlarged on bail, subject to his furnishing adequate bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Nothing expressed hereinabove would be construed to be an expression of any opinion on merits of the case.

March 12, 2018

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**(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No