

CRM-M-908-2018
Date of Decision : 22.01.2018

.....Petitioners

versus

....Respondent

Present: Mr. A.K. Walia, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Jasdeep Singh Walia, Senior DAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, JUDGE (ORAL)

Petitioners seek benefit of regular bail in case FIR No.80 dated 25.08.2017 under Sections 436, 427, 148, 149, 120-B, 188 IPC read with Section 3 (1) (II) of the Prevention of Damages to Public Property Act, 1984 and Sections 3 and 4 of Explosive Substances Act, 1908 registered at Police Station, Kot Dharmu, District Mansa, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the parties have been heard.

FIR came to be registered on the statement of Baljit Singh in relation to an alleged occurrence dated 25.08.2017. Allegations are that about 17/18 persons arrived on motorcycles armed with *Kirpans/Dandas/Baseball Bats* etc. at the petrol pump proclaiming that their Guru of Sirsa had been wrongly convicted. Further allegations are that petrol was poured on a diesel pump machine and was set afire. Damage to the diesel pump machine and other property to the extent of ₹2 lakh was stated to have been caused.

Petitioners are stated to have been arrested on different dates

between 28.08.2017 to 04.12.2017.

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

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Ranjit Singh, apprises the Court that from the petitioners recovery of a baseball bat/*dang*/a bottle containing petrol has been effected.

The trial is at the initial stage and would take time to conclude. Co-accused, Darshan Singh has been granted benefit of bail by this Court in the light of order dated 12.01.2018 in CRM-M-44688 of 2017.

In the considered view of this Court, no useful purpose would be served by confining the petitioners in custody till the completion of the trial.

Without making any observation on merits, present petition is allowed. Petitioners be enlarged on bail subject to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Mansa.

Petition is disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

22.01.2018

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No