

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-2875-2019

Date of decision: 28.01.2019

Satnam Singh @ Satta

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: None for the petitioner.

ASI Manjinder Singh.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.81 dated 01.10.2015 under Sections 399, 402 IPC, registered at Police Station Kabirpur, District Kapurthala.

A perusal of the record shows that the petitioner was granted regular bail, however, he absented himself on 11.11.2016 and thereafter, he was declared a proclaimed offender on 30.08.2017 and was re-arrested on 14.12.2018. Perusal of the record further shows that one similarly situated co-accused of the petitioner namely Rajinder Kumar @ Jindu, who has also absented from the Court proceedings and later on was granted the concession of regular bail vide order dated 27.03.2018 passed in CRM-M-995-2018 and another co-accused Shani Kumar has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail vide order dated 18.12.2018 passed in CRM-M-44070-2018 and he also absented from the Court proceedings. A perusal of the aforesaid

order shows that the case is still at the initial stage.

ASI Manjinder Singh, the Investigating Officer, who is present in the Court, has placed on record the custody certificate dated 27.01.2019 and as per this custody certificate, the petitioner has undergone 02 months and 22 days of judicial custody and is not involved in any other case.

Without commenting anything further on merits of the case, considering the aforesaid facts, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing his bail/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate and on payment of costs of Rs.3,000/- to be deposited with the District Legal Services Authority concerned, on account of delay the proceedings of the trial Court.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No