

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-4140 of 2019

Date of Decision : 10.04.2019

Akash Rajput

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. L.M. Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J.(Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in case FIR No.45, dated 18.02.2015, under Sections 302 364 201 and 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Sultanwind, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the case against the petitioner is based on circumstantial evidence and the instant FIR has been registered after four months of the recovery of the body. Another FIR No. 398 dated 30.10.2014 was registered at Police Station City Tarn Taran, under Sections 302 and 201 IPC after the recovery of the body. He also states that co-accused Vicky has been granted the benefit of regular bail by the learned trial Court vide order dated 08.08.2018. He also contends that the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time and the petitioner is in custody for over 03 years since his arrest on 14.03.2016.

Learned State counsel on instructions ASI Pruduman Kumar states that 19 prosecution witnesses out of 32 have been examined and the matter is now fixed for 12.04.2019 for recoring the evidence of remaining

witnesses.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is in custody for over three years, I deem it to be a fit case to grant him the concession of regular bail as the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on her furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

April 10, 2019

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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned? *Yes*

Whether reportable? *No*