

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-10672-2019 (O & M)

Date of Decision: 08.05.2019

MANPREET SINGH@ MONY RAIYA

....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. J. S. Thakur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 06, dated 17.08.2016, under Sections 148, 149 IPC; Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act and Section 307 IPC (added later on), registered at Police Station State Special Operation Cell, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations in the FIR, which has been lodged on the basis of secret information, are that when the police went to prevent a clash between two groups of alleged gangsters and on reaching there, they saw some of them had fired shots but no one was injured. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 2½ years since 22.08.2016 and the completion of the trial is likely to take some time. He further contends that although the petitioner is involved in some other cases but he is on bail in all of them and has been falsely implicated in this case. He further contends that the co-accused namely Harmandeep Singh,

Mangal Singh @ Manga and Ranjodh Singh @ Sunny Zhama have already been granted the concession of bail by the coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-42753-2016, CRM-M-1819-2017 and CRM-M-932-2018.

Learned State counsel contends that she had received telephonic instructions from DSP Harwinder Pal that none of the 11 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when it is a case of no injury; the petitioner is in custody for over 2½ years and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

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

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

May 08, 2019

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Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No