

216

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-22360-2019

Date of decision-24.10.2019

Gurdeep Singh @ Mann Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. V.S.Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sanjay Kumar Saini, AAG, Haryana.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner-Gurdeep Singh @ Mann Singh has prayed for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.297 dated 12.10.2017 registered under Section 392 Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Section 397 IPC added later on) and Sections 25, 54 and 59 of Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Pinjore, Haryana. The petitioner is in custody since his arrest on 08.02.2018.

The FIR was registered on the statement of complainant, namely, Gagandeep @ Gaggi wherein it was alleged that on 12.10.2017, his car bearing No.HR-99A-CH-4592 was forcibly snatched by four persons at gun point.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He further submits that the

charges have been framed on 17.05.2018 and trial is yet to commence.

Therefore, further custody of the petitioner may not be required.

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by ASI Pargat Singh opposed the prayer on the ground that the accused is involved in 26 other cases as noticed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Panchkula while declining the prayer for regular bail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in majority of the case (17 cases) petitioner stands acquitted and six cases he has served sentence and in remaining three cases, petitioner is on bail.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, this Court is of the opinion that trial of the case is likely to consume considerable time as the prosecution is yet to examine its witnesses, therefore, further custody of the petitioner may not be justified. Resultantly, without meaning any expression of opinion on the merits of the case, it is ordered that the petitioner be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned.

The petition is allowed.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

24.10.2019

vanita

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No