

**In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh**

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**CRM-M-51067-2018 (O & M)  
Date of Decision: August 19, 2019**

**MANPREET SINGH**

**.....PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**....RESPONDENT**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present: Mr. A.S. Sekhon, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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**ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)**

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 25, dated 05.03.2018, under Sections 307, 323, 341, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code ('IPC' - for short), registered at Police Station Bajakhana, District Faridkot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is a case of version and cross-version as three members of the petitioner party were also injured in the incident. The injury which is attributed to the petitioner has been caused by 'gandasa' on the head of the nephew of the complainant. He further contends that this injury was found to be dangerous to life although there is no underlying fracture. He also contends that nephew of the complainant has fully recovered from the injury. The petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 04 months since the date of his arrest. He is not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Kashmir Singh states that 05 witnesses remain to be examined, although learned State counsel on 13.05.2019 had stated that 17 out of 18 prosecution witnesses have been examined and only one witness remains to be examined. However, he is not in a position to controvert the submission made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 04 months and 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**

**August 19, 2019**  
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| Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes/No |
| Whether Reportable         | : | Yes/No |