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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-26726-2019
Date of decision-19.08.2019

Harpreet Singh @ Bittu

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Angel Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab assisted by
ASI Gurmukh.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner- Harpreet Singh @ Bittu has prayed for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.251 dated 17.12.2018 under Section 307, 365, 323, 506 and 148 read with Section 149 registered at Police Station Daba, District Ludhiana. The petitioner is in custody since his arrest on 17.12.2018.

As per the version of the prosecution in the FIR, which was recorded on the statement of Dalip Kumar, who was forcibly taken in a vehicle by accused, namely, Harpreet Singh @ Bittu (petitioner), Jagroop Singh (brother of petitioner), Bhupinder Singh @ Rinku, Baljinder Kumar @ Kali and Arjun Kumar to the house of Sunil Kumar, where Parminder Kaur @ Naano was also present. According to the allegations, the victim was given beatings, however, as per allegations in the FIR, petitioner-

Harpreet Singh @ Bittu is attributed the injury with a bat on the right hand of the complainant.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the only injury attributed to the petitioner is on right hand of the victim allegedly given by bat blow. He contends that the investigation of the case is complete and the challan stands filed on 01.03.2019. It is pointed out that case of the petitioner is at par with co-accused, namely, Bhupinder Singh @ Rinku who stands released vide order dated 23.05.2019 (Annexure P-2).

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by ASI Gurmukh opposed the bail application, however, it is not disputed that the injury attributed to the petitioner is simple in nature. He fairly submits that the charges are yet to be framed.

Considering the above background and the fact that the trial of the case is likely to consume more time, this Court does not find any valid reason to detain the petitioner any further in custody. Therefore, 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, Ludhiana.

The petition is allowed.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

19.08.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes

No

Whether Reportable :

Yes

No