

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-29331-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 18.07.2019

SATNAM SINGH @ SATTA

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.211 dated 09.10.2018, under Section 394 IPC (Sections 379-B, 397, 120-B IPC and Sections 25 & 27 of the Arms Act added later on), registered at Police Station Sarabha Nagar, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR, wherein it is mentioned that the co-accused, who are specifically named therein, had snatched the bag from Manpreet Singh and Karanvir Singh, after firing shots which hit the legs of both Manpreet Singh and Karanvir Singh. There is no evidence which would, *prima facie*, connect the petitioner with the commission of offence. The petitioner was made an accused on the basis of a secret information that the co-accused had stayed at his residence and a motorcycle of co-accused was recovered from his house. He is in custody since his arrest on 13.10.2018. The petitioner is 26 years old and is not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Avtar Singh, states that the investigation has been completed but the charges are yet to be framed.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is 26 years old, he is not involved in any other case, he is in custody for over 9 months 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.

18.07.2019

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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No