

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

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CRM-M-32339-2019

Date of decision : 27.09.2019

Manjeet @ Sonu

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. K.L. Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.190, dated 23.07.2018, under Section 395 IPC, registered at Police Station Julana, District Jind.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is stated that a truck loaded with iron scrap had been snatched by 5-6 persons. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over a year and similarly situated co-accused, namely, Manoj, Virender, Naveen and Kuldeep have been granted regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-17602 of 2019, CRM-M-18733 of 2019 and CRM-M-8313 of 2019 on 30.05.2019, 02.05.2019 and 08.04.2019 respectively. He further contends that the complainant in his testimony before the Court as PW-1, has not supported the prosecution case qua the involvement of the petitioner.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Ashok Kumar states that 04 out of 16 prosecution witnesses have been examined. He,

however, is not in a position to controvert the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner that the complainant has not supported the prosecution case qua the involvement of the petitioner and similarly situated co-accused have been granted regular bail.

Heard.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner is not named in the FIR, he is in custody for over a year, similarly situated co-accused have been granted regular bail, the complainant has not supported the prosecution case 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

September 27, 2019

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