

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

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CRM-M-35203-2019.

Date of Decision: 02.09.2019.

Satnam Singh

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. Jaspreet Singh Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

Present petition under Section 439 of the Criminal Procedure Code is for grant of regular bail to petitioner- Satnam Singh son of Avtar Singh in case F.I.R. No.14 dated 05.02.2019 under Sections 302/34 of the Indian Penal Code (Sections 201/182 IPC added lateron), registered at Police Station Qadian, District Gurdaspur.

Learned counsel representing petitioner contended that the petitioner is in custody since 09.02.2019 and he is not the main accused in this case. As per charge-sheet dated 17.05.2019, copy of which is available on the file as Annexure-P3, charge against the present petitioner is under Section 201 IPC only and charges under Sections 302 and 182 IPC are against accused-Joginder Singh. The trial of the case still to take some more time and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner

Learned State counsel has not disputed the above factual position and the period of custody of the petitioner.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case, which may not cause prejudice to either of the parties at a later stage, but taking the above facts into consideration and the fact the petitioner is in custody since 09.02.2019, charge against the petitioner is under Section 201 IPC only; the trial of the case still to take some more time and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind the bars, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner—Satnam Singh, is ordered to be admitted to regular bail on his furnishing adequate bail bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned learned trial Judge/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No