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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-39979-2019
Date of decision-20.12.2019

Kuldeep Singh @ Billa

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Ms. Manpreet Ghuman, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Tanushree Gupta, DAG, Haryana.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner-Kuldeep Singh @ Billa has prayed for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.137 dated 01.12.2018 registered under Sections 307, 324, 323, 506, 427, 341, 148 and 120-B read with Section 149 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Sections 326 and 201 read with Section 34 IPC added later on) at Police Station Tappa Mandi, District Barnala. The petitioner is in custody since his arrest on December, 2018.

The FIR was registered on the statement of complainant, namely, Jaspreet Singh @ Jassi wherein it was alleged that on 30.11.2018, complainant alongwith his friend Gursewak Singh went to meat shop. His friend was sitting in the car, suddenly one Kuldeep Singh @ Billa son of Jarnail Singh (petitioner) along with his companions armed with deadly weapons came there and attacked on the complainant. Kuldeep Singh @

Billa gave iron dah blow on the head of the complainant. On raising alarm, all assailants were ran away from the spot. On these broad allegations, FIR was registered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the complainant, namely, Jaspreet Singh has been examined whose cross-examination is fixed for today. She submits that petitioner is in custody since December, 2018, therefore, further custody may not be justified.

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by ASI Jasbir Singh opposed the prayer on the ground that the offence is serious. However, it is not disputed that material witness i.e. complainant stands examined.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, this Court is of the opinion that trial of the case is likely to consume considerable time, therefore, further custody of the petitioner may not be justified. Resultantly, 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, concerned.

The petition is allowed.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

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