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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-44285-2019

Date of decision-24.10.2019

Sukhpreet Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Shiv Charan Bhola, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner-Sukhpreet Singh has prayed for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.003 dated 07.01.2019 registered under Sections 307, 353, 186 and 34 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 25 of Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Chhajali, District Sangrur. The petitioner is in judicial custody since his arrest on 07.03.2019.

On 07.01.2019, the police party was on patrol duty at village Nagri and when they reached at liquor vend, then three boys riding on motorcycle (which was without number), were seen coming and the vehicle was signalled to stop. On seeing the police, they tried to run away, but motorcycle was slipped and all fell down. Then Karamjit Singh @ Kali and Harpreet Singh took out their pistols and fired at the police party. Thereafter, they fled from the spot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the investigation in the present case is complete. He further refers to the order dated 01.10.2019 (Annexure P-3) passed by this Court wherein concession of regular bail has already been extended to co-accused.

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by HC Amrit Pal opposed the prayer on the ground that the offence is serious. However, it is not disputed that the co-accused has been granted the concession of regular bail and investigation of the case is complete.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, this Court is of the opinion that trial of the case is likely to consume considerable time as the prosecution is yet to examine its witnesses, therefore, further custody 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

24.10.2019

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