

**In The High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-49668-2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 27.11.2019

Deepinder Singh Sidana

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Navjot Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, AAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. Deepinder Singh Sidana has approached this Court seeking grant of regular bail in a case registered vide FIR No.399, dated 23.10.2019, registered at Police Station Zirakpur, District SAS Nagar, under Sections 420, 494, 465, 468 and 120-B IPC.
2. The FIR was lodged at the instance of Preeti Sharma wherein it has been alleged that her marriage was solemnized with petitioner-Deepinder Singh Sidana on 5.11.2015, although, she had been residing with the petitioner in a live-in-relationship since August 2014. It is alleged that although the petitioner had always represented himself to be unmarried but now she had come to know that the petitioner was already married.

3. The learned counsel representing the petitioner has submitted that he has falsely been implicated in the present case and that in any case the petitioner is in custody for the last about one month and since nothing is to be recovered from him, he deserves the concession of regular bail.
4. The learned State counsel while opposing the petition has submitted that since the evidence collected during investigation does show that the previous marriage of the petitioner subsisted when he contracted second married with the complainant, no case for grant of bail is made out. It has however, been informed that the petitioner has been in custody since the last more than one month and that he is not required for any custodial interrogation.
5. I have considered rival submissions addressed before this Court. Keeping in view the aforesaid position and the fact that the petitioner is behind bars since last about one month and is not required for any custodial interrogation, further detention of the petitioner will not serve any useful purpose. The petition, as such, is accepted and petitioner-Deepinder Singh Sidana is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

November 27, 2019

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No