

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

**CRM-M No. 677 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of decision: - 17.01.2020**

Kulwant Singh alias Kali

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Ashok Kumar Khunger, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 98 dated 21.10.2017 registered under Sections 324, 323, 341, 427, 148 and 148 IPC at Police Station Sadar Abohar, District Fazilka (offence under Sections 325 and 326 IPC added later on vide DDR No. 23 dated 02.11.2017).

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that Section 325 and 326 IPC were added later on. Moreover, the injury attributed to the petitioner is on the non-vital part and he is in custody since 20.09.2019. He further states that the trial will take time to conclude and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind the bars.

On the instructions from HC Vipul Chander, learned State brought to the notice of this Court that the petitioner is in custody, challan

has been presented and charges are yet to be framed.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and is of the view that the petitioner is in custody since 20.09.2019, the trial will take time to conclude and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

17.01.2020

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No