

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

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**CRM-12256-2020 in/and
CRM-M-3962-2020
Decided on : 04.06.2020**

Lovepreet Singh

... Applicant/Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present: Mrs. Anupam Bhanot, Advocate for the applicant/petitioner.

Mr. SPS Tinna, Addl. AG, Punjab.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up by way of Video Conferencing facility in view of COVID-19 situation, as per instructions issued.

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Application for preponement of the main petition from 21.07.2020 has been filed.

Accordingly, in view of the reasons given in the application, the same is allowed. The hearing of the main petition is preponed to today itself.

CRM stands disposed of.

Main petition

In the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., the petitioner is seeking concession of regular bail in case FIR No.184 dated 11.11.2019 under Section 379 IPC (offences under Sections 411, 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Ranjit Avenue, District Amritsar.

The petitioner is not named in the FIR, which was lodged by one Hitesh Sodhi.

Counsel for the State has submitted that the recovery is from the petitioner due to which he was arrested on 13.11.2019 and since then he is in custody. Another FIR No.177 dated 30.10.2019 of similar offence was also lodged against the petitioner.

Admittedly, investigation is complete as challan has been filed in the Court on 02.03.2020 and case is now fixed for framing of charge on 10.06.2020.

Counsel for the petitioner has rightly argued that it being a Magisterial trial, it will take some time to conclude the trial. Keeping in view the period of the detention of the petitioner and more time is likely to be consumed for the purpose of trial, this Court is of the opinion that the petitioner is entitled for regular bail during the pendency of the trial.

Accordingly, the bail application is allowed. The petitioner shall be released on regular bail on furnishing of bail bonds/sureties to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Amritsar.

June 04, 2020
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

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