

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

CRM-M-6106-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision: 19.02.2020

Gurpreet Singh Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

Present: Mr. P.B.S.Goraya, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Sharda, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Ramendra Jain, J.(Oral)

Mr. Navkiran Singh, Advocate has filed vakalatnama on behalf of complainant on his own, though he has not been impleaded as a party. Same is taken on record. Be tagged at appropriate place.

Through instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. prayer has been made for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in a case arising from FIR No.22 dated 01.04.2017, registered under Sections 302, 307, 452, 506, 427, 148, 149 IPC (Section 303 IPC is wrongly mentioned in Annexure P-3), 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, 1959, at Police Station Valtoha, District Tarn Taran.

Briefly, on 31.03.2017, a group of 15/20 persons, some of whom were armed with deadly weapons like double barrel guns, takua and danda etc., committed murder of two persons namely Kulwant Singh and Gurwinder Singh after demolishing wall of complainant Budh Singh. Petitioner was one of the members of

those assailants.

Learned counsel *inter alia* contends that petitioner has falsely been implicated in this case. Co-accused of petitioner namely Nirbhai Singh, Kuldip Singh @ Lada, Pardeep Singh @ Bittu and Gurpal Singh have already been enlarged on bail by this Court vide orders dated 05.02.2020 and 21.01.2020 in CRM-M-3762-2020 and 19181-2018 respectively. Conclusion of trial may take a sufficient long time. No useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner any more in jail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel vehemently opposed the grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

Considering overall facts and circumstances, but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, treating the case of the petitioner on the same parity as that of his above-named co-accused, the petition is allowed. Consequently, petitioner Gurpreet Singh is ordered to be released on bail during pendency of trial, if not required in any other case, on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

19.02.2020
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(RAMENDRA JAIN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/non-speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No