

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

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CRM-M-9429-2020

Date of decision : 10.07.2020.

Samunder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Babbar Bhan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.580 dated 02.09.2018 under Sections 302, 307, 120-B IPC read with Section 34 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act registered at Police Station Sadar Dadri, district Charkhi Dadri.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in FIR. The complainant and other eye-witnesses in their deposition before the trial Court have not supported the prosecution case qua the involvement of the petitioner in the commission of the crime. He further contends that similarly situated co-accused, namely, Satpal has been granted regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-9386 of 2020 on 12.06.2020. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over one year and two months.

Learned State counsel contends that 09 out of 45 prosecution witnesses have been examined and the eye-witnesses including the complainant

have turned hostile.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over one year and two months; similarly situated co-accused has been granted regular bail; the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

July 10, 2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No