

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-11134-2020

Date of decision: 11.06.2020

Happy alias Harpreet Singh

....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Sandeep Lather, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhdeep Parmar, DAG, Haryana.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of lockdown due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioner-Happy alias Harpreet Singh has filed the present petition *inter alia* praying for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.463 dated 26.09.2019 under Section 346 of Indian Penal Code and later on converted under Sections 201, 302 & 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Safidon, District Jind.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioner is only a friend of Pawanjeet Singh @ Karan Singh. The further allegations in the FIR are that Payal with the help of her lover allegedly Pawanjeet Singh @ Karan Singh and the petitioner have murdered Rempy-aged 28 years. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that Pawanjeet Singh @ Karan Singh has already been granted bail by the Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Court. He submits that the charges have been framed on 17.03.2020. There are a total of 17 witnesses, but no

witnesses have been examined till date. He submits that he was arrested on 29.09.2019. He further submits that due to the present COVID-19 situation and also the fact that trial is likely to take some time, the petitioner is entitled for regular bail.

In view of the peculiar facts as noticed above, considering the existing situation due to COVID and the fact that trial is likely to take time, this Court deems it appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned, subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds. However, it is made clear that anything observed herein shall not be construed as an expression on merits of the case.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
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Whether speaking/ reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No