

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

**CRM-M-12514 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision:19.05.2020**

Dhanna Singh @ Ram

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Munish Behl, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA J.(Oral)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via WhatsApp facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking benefit of regular bail to the petitioner pending trial in FIR No.258 dated 07.11.2019 under Sections 148, 149, 307, 323, 452, 506 IPC, Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959 and Section 325 and 326 IPC (added later on) registered at Police Station Sector 14, Panchkula.

An advance copy of the petition was also furnished to State of Haryana. Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, learned DAG, Haryana, who has also joined the proceedings states that his instructions in the matter are complete and the matter may be argued.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

Briefly noticed the FIR was registered on the complaint of one Amit Sharma, stating himself to be a Senior Crime Reporter in Dainik Bhaskar, Sector 16, Panchkula. Allegations are that on 07.11.2019 when

the complainant alongwith his brother Deepak Kumar were sitting in the office then at about 6.45 P.M., the present petitioner alongwith other co-accused forcibly gained entry in the office and assaulted the complainant as also his brother. Injuries have been suffered by brother of the complainant. One of such injuries have been opined to be dangerous to life and on account of such Section 307 IPC has been added.

Petitioner was arrested on 07.11.2019.

During the course of arguments it has gone uncontroverted that the injury attracting offence under Section 307 IPC is specifically attributed to co-accused Amit. It is also the admitted position of fact that Amit has been granted concession of pre-arrest bail by this Court.

Insofar as the present petitioner is concerned there is no specific injury attributed to him.

Learned State counsel has apprised the Court that investigation qua the petitioner is complete and even challan stands presented.

No useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody any further. The trial is still at the initial stage and would take time to complete.

Without making any observation on merits, petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petitioner namely Dhanna Singh @ Ram be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate, Panchkula.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

May 19, 2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No