

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

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**CRM-M-13518 of 2020
Date of Decision: 19.06.2020**

Jagtar Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Ms. Ramneet, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

All cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Pursuant to the order dated 17.06.2020, the SSP, Moga, appeared before this court through video conferencing, but due to a bad connection the appearance was disrupted.

Even so, Mr. Beniwal, learned State counsel, submits that he has taken complete instructions and in fact even sent by the process of 'Whatsapp communication' to the Reader of this court, the affidavit of the SSP, stating to the effect that the petitioner was identified by the complainant on March 19, 2020, when the complainant visited the police station where the petitioner was in a lock-up.

The affidavit otherwise states that a test identification parade of

accused is essential and normally being done, but since in this case the complainant had already identified the petitioner, it was not conducted as per other procedure.

He submits that the statement of the complainant under Section 161 of the Cr.P.C. in that regard, was also recorded.

Mr. Beniwal further submits that a lot of cases of snatching are taking place in the area and therefore the petitioner, being one of the prime suspects, consequently does not deserve the concession of bail, at this stage at least.

Having considered the matter, without making any comment on the actual merits of the case, I agree with learned State counsel that the petitioner is not entitled to the concession of bail at this stage at least and consequently this petition is dismissed.

June 19, 2020
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes
No