

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

CRM NO. M-13608 of 2020

DATE OF DECISION : 03.07.2020

Prabhdeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. Amaninder Singh Sekhon, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harpreet Singh Multani, AAG, Punjab.

(Presence marked through Video conference)

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 330 dated 17.12.2019 under Sections 379-A/379-B IPC (Section 411 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station City/Kotwali Faridkot, District Faridkot.

2. As per allegations in FIR, ASI Kuldeep Kumar along with police officials was on patrolling duty and was present near the gate of Medical College, Faridkot, when Mandeep Singh (complainant) along with his father met him. A statement of recorded to the effect that on 17.12.2019 at about 9.00 PM complainant along with his father was coming back from his shop. When they were 100 feet ahead the service station, suddenly two persons came from backside on scooter make Activa (white in colour) bearing registration No. PB04-Y-5037 snatched mobile phone of complainant while he was still talking on it. They pushed the complainant and his father and also had a scuffle with

them. On the basis of said statement, formal '*ruqa*' was sent and FIR in question was registered.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case as alleged mobile phone which was snatched, is already in the possession of police. He further contends that there is delay of one day in recording the FIR. It is further contended that investigation is complete since challan has already been presented in Court.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Harpreet Singh Multani, AAG, Punjab, who has joined the proceedings on service of advance copy of the petition, appears and accepts notice on behalf of State of Punjab and submits that challan has been presented.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars since investigation is already over and challan has already been filed

7. In the premise, the petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate.

8. Disposed of.

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(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :
Whether reportable :

Yes/No
Yes/No