

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-13728-2020
Date of decision: 16.06.2020

Neetu

....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Harish Goyal, 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-Neetu who is stated to be aged 29 years, has filed the present petition *inter alia* praying for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.100 dated 16.02.2019, under Section 25/54 of Arms Act, 1959 and Sections 379-A, 387, 392, 397, 458, 506, 34 and 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Rohtak City, District Rohtak.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody since March, 2019. Learned counsel further submits that the challan was although presented on 07.05.2019 but no witnesses have been examined till date. He, however, submits that due to the present COVID-19

situation and also the fact that trial is likely to take some time, detention of the petitioner in jail is dangerous to his life. Therefore, 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 direct the release of 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)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No