

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-16628-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision: 09.07.2020

Vijay Pal

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Rajesh Lamba, 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-Vijay Pal who is stated to be aged 30 years, has filed the present petition *inter alia* praying for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.195 dated 29.11.2019, under Sections 307, 195, 120-B, 34 of IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station NS Chopta, District Sirsa.

At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the co-accused, namely, Inderpal and Vikas, have been granted regular bail by this Court in CRM-M No. 15700 of 2020 and CRM-M No. 13272 of 2020, respectively. Learned counsel further submits that challan in this case has been presented on 07.02.2020 and out of 20 witnesses, none has been examined till date. Learned counsel then submits that the petitioner has been

falsely implicated in this case. Learned counsel 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-19 and the fact that trial is likely to take some 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:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No