

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-17000-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 05.08.2020

SANT RAM

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Surender Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Gurcharan Rai, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.276 dated 03.08.2019, under Sections 302, 201 IPC, registered at Police Station Kundli, District Sonapat.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated on the allegations of murdering his daughter. He, however, contends that the daughter of the petitioner suddenly expired at around 09:30 p.m. on 02.08.2019 and she was cremated next morning at around 09:30 a.m. in the presence of villagers and other relatives. The complainant, who was examined as PW-1, did not support the prosecution case with regard to the involvement of the petitioner. The three other witnesses including PW-2, PW-3 and PW-4 also did not support the prosecution case. The petitioner is a dalit and is in custody for over a year.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Davinder Singh, contends that the daughter of the petitioner was hurriedly cremated

without any post mortem. She was allegedly having an affair with one Sandeep, who is also a prosecution witness and is yet to be examined. He also states that 13 out of 19 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over a year, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

05.08.2020.

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No