

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-18758-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: September 29, 2020**

JASWANT @ JASSU

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

SATE OF HARYANA

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Sandeep Kumar Yadav, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajeev Sidhu, DAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.15 dated 06.01.2020, under Sections 379-A, 506 and 34 IPC (Sections 120-B and 435 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station City Mahendergarh, District Mahendergarh, Haryana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it was stated that two persons had driven the complainant's car and after some distance, they threw the driver out of the car and looted his belongings. He further contends that the petitioner has been arraigned as an accused on the statement of the co-accused. Co-accused Sandeep has been granted regular bail by this Court in CRM-M-27019-2020 on 21.09.2020. He also contends that another co-accused namely Narender @ Mota @ Matru has also been granted bail by the coordinate Bench of this Court in a petition bearing CRM No.M-17916-2020 on 24.07.2020. The petitioner is in custody for over 06 months since his arrest on 30.03.2020.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Babu Lal contends that although challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed.

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In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the co-accused has been granted bail, he is in custody for over 06 months since his arrest on 30.03.2020, 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

September 29, 2020
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No