

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

**CRM-M No.19182 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision.05.08.2020
(Heard through VC)**

Ajay

...Petitioner

Vs

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. Amardeep Sheoran, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Harpreet Kaur, AAG, Haryana.

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JAISHREE THAKUR J. (ORAL)

This is a petition that has been filed for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.916 dated 27.11.2018 registered under Sections 302, 148, 149, 506 IPC at Police Station Sonapat City, District Sonapat.

Counsel for the petitioner herein *inter alia* would contend that the petitioner has neither been named in the FIR nor any injury/overt act has been attributed to him. It is further contended that six co-accused namely Punit @ Tanu, Rohit, Yogesh, Priyavart, Neeraj @ Mannu and Rakesh @ Hitesh have already been granted bail by this Court vide orders dated 21.11.2019, 22.05.2020, 22.05.2020, 17.06.2020, 14.07.2020 and 14.07.2020 passed in CRM-M Nos.48534 of 2019, 3229 of 2020, 4362 of 2020, 50349 of 2020, 24280 of 2019 and 4761 of 2020 respectively. The petitioner is in custody since 19.12.2018. Challan has been presented and therefore, prays for grant of bail to the petitioner.

Learned counsel appearing for the respondent-State opposes the regular bail while submitting that no ground is made out for concession of

bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Keeping in view the fact that the challan has already been presented and six co-accused have already been allowed bail, coupled with the fact that the trial is likely to take some time to conclude as due to COVID-19 situation, Courts are not working at their full strength and not taking up regular hearing matters, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind the bars. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal/ surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

August 05, 2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No