

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-21213-2020

Date of Decision :08.09.2020

Hardeep Singh

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Loveleen Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anmol Malik, DAG Haryana.

Mr. K.S. Brar, Advocate
for the complainant.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)

This is an application for granting regular bail under Section 439 Cr. P.C. to the petitioner in case FIR No.121 dated 02.06.2019, under Sections 147, 149, 302, 120-B of IPC, 1860 and 25 of Arms Act at Police Station Kalanwali, District Sirsa.

The petitioner has remained in detention for almost one year and three months since 12.06.2019. Learned counsel for the petitioner has drawn attention of the Court to the fact that his client's name was not mentioned in the FIR nor there is any allegation of his being actively involved in the actual murder of the victim.

The material available against the petitioner has emerged from the disclosure statements of the co-accused to the effect that he was present in the house in which the criminal conspiracy was allegedly held.

To that extent, the petitioner does stand on a similar footing with co-accused-Talwinder Singh and Jasbir Kaur, who have been ordered to be released on bail by two Coordinate Benches of this Court on 15.07.2020 and 30.09.2019 in CRM-M-16006 of 2020 and CRM-M-41254 of 2019, respectively.

Further considering the fact that trial in the matter has been held

up on account of onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and is not likely to be completed in a reasonable time.

Further detention of the petitioner for an indefinite period in the circumstances is not called for. As such, he may be released on bail subject to imposition of the same conditions which were ordered by the Coordinate Bench in case of co-accused-Jasbir Kaur.

08.09.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No