

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

**CRM-M-21141-2020**

**Date of Decision: 13.08.2020**

**Gurpreet Singh @ Gopi**

**.....Petitioner**

**Vs.**

**State of Punjab**

**.....Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH**

Present: Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Banka, D.A.G., Punjab.

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**AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)**

All cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This petition has been filed under the provisions of Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. seeking 'regular bail' for the petitioner in case FIR no. 271, dated 22.09.2017, registered at Police Station Sadar Ferozepur, District Ferozepur, for the alleged commission of offences punishable under Sections 364, 302, 404, 201 and 149 of the IPC, read with Section 120-B thereof.

The petitioner having been in custody for more than 02 years and 10 months now and a co-accused of the petitioner having been admitted to bail by this court about 02 years ago, and the only difference between that case, even as per learned State counsel, being that a ring is stated to have been recovered from the petitioner, but with only 03 prosecution witnesses out of 27 have been examined so far and the trial not likely to progress quickly especially in the situation of the current pandemic, without making any comment on the actual merits of the case

for or against the petitioner, the petition is allowed. The petitioner shall be admitted to bail upon his furnishing adequate bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

**August 13, 2020**  
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**(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether Reportable

Yes  
No.