

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

CRM-M-22480-2020

Date of Decision : 08.10.2020

Sukhwinder Singh alias Khuddu

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present: Mr.Gagandeep Singh Bajwa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr.A.S.Sandhu, Addl.AG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Matter has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of the COVID-19 situation and as per instructions.

Petitioner seeks benefit of regular bail pending trial in FIR No.0006 dated 08.01.2020 under Sections 307, 323, 341, 148, 149 IPC and 25 of Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Jandiala, District Amritsar.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

FIR came to be registered on the statement of Sukhdev Singh in relation to alleged occurrence that took place on 08.01.2020. As per complainant's version while he was proceeding along with his father and certain other persons, they were accosted by the accused persons including the petitioner herein. Allegations are that the accused persons drew out weapons and started firing with an intent to kill.

Petitioner was arrested on 23.04.2020.

It has gone uncontroverted that it is a case of no injury.

Investigation in the case is complete and the challan already stands presented.

Trial is at the very initial stage and would take time to conclude particularly keeping in view the current COVID-19 situation.

Perusal of the order dated 03.07.2020 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Amritsar declining bail to the petitioner would reveal that involvement of the petitioner in other FIRs has weighed with the Court.

Counsel for the petitioner has made a categoric submission that the petitioner is on bail in other FIRs that had been registered.

Without making any observation on merits and keeping in view the length of incarceration already suffered, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is held entitled to the benefit of bail.

Petitioner be enlarged on bail on his furnishing bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial court/Duty Magistrate, Amritsar.

08.10.2020
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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable	No