

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-22341-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 13.08.2020

SUNNY

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Ravinder Bangar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Gurcharan Rai, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.353 dated 14.09.2017, under Sections 302 and 201 IPC, (Section 34 IPC added later on) and Sections 25/27/54/59 of the Arms Act, 1959 registered at Police Station Ladwa, District Kurukshetra.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that there is a delay of over 2 days in registering the FIR. It is alleged that at the time of the cremation of the deceased, the complainant and other relatives noticed that there was a circular mark on her chest and later some villagers had informed them that Poonam Rani had been murdered. He further states that it was mentioned only in the latter part of the FIR that the deceased was murdered by the petitioner and his accomplice. He also states that no post mortem was conducted even after the relatives having noticed injury on the person of the deceased. The petitioner is in custody for about 1 year and 11 months and the

trial has come to a standstill due to COVID-19 pandemic. He is not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel contends that all the prosecution witnesses have been examined.

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In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the petitioner is in custody for almost 2 years, he is not involved in any other case, 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

13.08.2020.

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No