

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-22700-2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 21.08.2020

Deepak

... Petitioner

VS.

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. JS Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Rajiv Goel, DAG Haryana

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing on account of lockdown due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

The petitioner Deepak aged 19 years has filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.204 dated 16.03.2020 under Sections 323/380/452/34 IPC and Sections 395/397 IPC added later on registered at PS Sector 5, Panchkula.

Learned counsel, at the outset, submits that the co-accused Rajesh who has been allegedly attributed same/similar role as to the petitioner has been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 29.07.2020 passed in **CRM-M-15284-2020 (Rajesh & Ors. vs. State of Haryana)** (P2). The petitioner was arrested on 17.03.2020.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Balbir Singh, submits that the role attributed to the present petitioner as well as the co-accused Rajesh and others was same/similar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner then submits that due to the present COVID-19 situation, detention of the petitioner in jail would be dangerous to his life and also the fact that trial is likely to take some time, the

petitioner may be granted concession of regular bail.

In view of the peculiar facts noticed above and the present situation due to COVID-19, this Court deems it appropriate to direct release of the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned, subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds.

However, it is made clear that anything observed herein shall not be construed as an expression on merits of the case.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

21.08.2020
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(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

- 1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
- 2. *Whether reportable?*

Yes/No
Yes/No