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

Sr. No.202

**CRM-M-22151-2019(O&M)
Decided on: 12.11.2020**

Inderpreet Singh

.. Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

PRESENT:- Mr. PS Ahluwalia, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhdeep Parmar, DAG, Haryana.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.254 dated 03.07.2017 registered under Section 307/427/120-B IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, at Police Station Civil Sector 5, Panchkula, District Panchkula.

FIR was lodged on the complaint of one Anil Kumar, son of Charan Dass, who has stated that on 03.07.2017 at 3.30 am, he along with his family consisting sons, mother, wife and daughters-in-law was sleeping in his house and watchman Vikrant Sharma was present. The complainant heard the noise of gun shots besides Vikrant Sharma raised the alarm of *bachao-bachao*. On hearing his voice, the complainant came out and found that three boys while firing from their swift car run towards Panchkula Bus Stand. The incident was also recorded in the camera installed at the house.

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that even as per the

FIR, no injury has been inflicted. The petitioner has been implicated in the case on the basis of alleged disclosure statement recorded by him in another case. The petitioner is in custody since 3 years and 2 months.

Vide order dated 27.02.2020, this Court had adjourned the matter to 18.03.2020 and directed the Commissioner of Police, Panchkula, to get the six PWs examined on the next date i.e. 05.03.2020. It has transpired that out of 6 witnesses 4 have been given up and other 2 have been examined, who have not testified against the petitioner.

Considering the custody period and the fact that the trial of the case has not made any headway due to Covid-19 pandemic, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner behind bars till the conclusion of trial. Accordingly the petition is allowed. Petitioner-Inderpreet Singh is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction Trial Court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No