

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

CRM-M-28465-2020

Date of decision: **25.9.2020**

CHARAT SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Gurinder Singh Goraya, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

(Proceedings conducted through video conferencing).

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in a case registered against him vide FIR No.19 dated 9.3.2015 under Sections 302, 148, 149 IPC & Sections 25 & 27 of Arms Act at Police Station Khem Karan, District Tarn Taran.
2. Learned State counsel however opposes the application mainly on the grounds of credential of the petitioner who has been involved in several other cases. Learned State counsel also informed that as of now the prosecution evidence has been concluded and statement of accused under Section 313 Cr.P.C. has also been recorded and now the matter is adjourned for defence evidence and arguments.
3. In view of the aforestated position, this Court is not inclined to grant bail

to the petitioner. The petition, as such, is dismissed. The trial Court is directed to explore the possibility of recording defence evidence by physical process, if found convenient and safe subject to adherence of all the safeguards as prescribed by the Health Authorities on account of prevalent condition of spread of pandemic COVID-19 or record the same by video conferencing. The petitioner is expected to render full cooperation in disposal of the trial before the trial Court.

4. The petition stands disposed off with the aforesaid observations.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

25.9.2020
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Whether reasoned / speaking? Yes / No

Whether reportable? Yes / No