

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

Sr. No.208

**CrI. Misc. No.M-28439 of 2020 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION: 09.10.2020**

DEEP @ GURDEEP SINGH

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Vidit Bansal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 42 dated 23.02.2020 registered at Police Station Focal Point, Ludhiana, under Sections 376 IPC and 4 of POCSO Act, 2012.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody in excess of 07 months. The trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date as even charges have not been framed. There is no other criminal case pending against the petitioner and thus, he may be granted regular bail.

Custody certificate dated 09.10.2020 has been presented in Court. The same is taken on record. According to this certificate, the

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petitioner has undergone actual custody of 07 months and 13 days and there is no other criminal case pending against him.

Learned State counsel concedes that charges have not yet been framed.

Keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has undergone more than 07 months of custody and the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, I deem it appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail.

Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

09.10.2020

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**(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No