

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

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CRM-M-28967 of 2020

Date of Decision: 28.09.2020

(through video conferencing)

Gurdeep Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Naveen Upadhyay, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.(Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.68 dated 19.06.2020 under Section 306 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Faridkot, District Faridkot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case on account of being a close relative of the wife of the deceased. He further contends that even a perusal of the FIR reveals that no overt act has been attributed to the petitioner so as to attract the mischief of Section 306 IPC. In fact, he had just accompanied the family of the wife of the deceased to iron out differences between the deceased and his wife. It has been further contended that the petitioner has been in custody since 19.06.2020 and the trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Sukhpal Singh, while opposing the prayer of learned counsel for the petitioner, has not been able to controvert the factual aspect of the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has been in custody since 19.06.2020 and due to the outbreak of the pandemic Covid-19, the trial is not likely to conclude in the near future, I deem it is a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner. Without expressing anything on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

28.09.2020

D.Bansal

Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No