

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

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**CRM-M-29758-2020 (O&M)
Date of Order:25.09.2020**

Guljinder Singh

..Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. L.M.Gulati, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

Hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in a criminal case arising from FIR No.128, dated 18.09.2020, registered under Section 120-B/148/149/186/307/323/332/353/365 IPC, at Police Station Panjokhra, District Ambala.

The FIR in question has been registered by Roop Chand, Assistant Secretary, State Transport Authority, Ambala. In short, the case of the prosecution is that a team of State Transport Authority, led by a female officer, impounded the tractor and trolley belonging to the petitioner. Its driver called the petitioner and thereafter unruly mob consisting of 50 persons approximately, attacked the female officer and other members of the team. The official vehicle was not only damaged but thrown in a pit. The members of the police party were also badly thrashed. The mob also took away the impounded tractor and trolley.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that as per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner was merely present, however no overt act is attributed to the petitioner. He, hence submitted that the petitioner be granted the concession of pre-arrest bail.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the incident happened in the State of Punjab, whereas the FIR has been registered in the State of Haryana.

Be that as it may. This would be the subject matter of investigation.

On the other hand, Sh. Chetan Sharma, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana, has submitted that it was the petitioner, who had a grouse because it was his tractor and trolley which was impounded. He further submits that he had examined the video recording of the incident and it is apparent therefrom that the petitioner was called at the spot by his driver and thereafter, large number of people gathered and attacked officials of State Transport Authority. Even female officer, who was leading the party was not spared.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, there is no ground to grant the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

Dismissed.

September 25, 2020
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

: Yes/No
: Yes/No