

228 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.34980 of 2020
Date of Decision:02.12.2020

(through video conferencing)

KARAN

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Harsh Mehla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Goel, DAG, Haryana.

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.42 dated 18.02.2019 under Sections 323, 325, 341, 379-B and 302 IPC registered at Police Station Farakpur, District Yamun Nagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the alleged crime and in fact he had no role whatsoever to play in the alleged occurrence. He further submits that the petitioner has been in custody since 06.03.2019 and there is no likelihood of the trial concluding in the near future due to the outbreak of pandemic COVID-19 as out of 29 only 10 prosecution witnesses cited have been examined.

Learned State counsel while opposing the submissions of the counsel for the petitioner, on instructions from SI-Satish Kumar submits that the petitioner is alleged to have inflicted the fatal blow with an iron rod on the deceased. He has submitted that since the trial is at very crucial juncture, the release of the petitioner could result in the remaining prosecution witnesses being influenced by the him. Hence, he may not be extended the concession of regular bail.

Heard.

Prima facie there are serious allegations levelled against the petitioner for which he does not deserve the concession of regular bail. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed. However, since the petitioner has been in custody since 06.03.2019, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and endeavour to conclude the same within 4 months from today.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

December 02, 2020

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