

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

**CRM-M No.36534 of 2020
Date of Decision : 12.11.2020**

Jagdeep Singh @ Babbu

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present : Mr. Lupil Gupta, Advocate
for the Petitioner.

Mr. Prabhjot S. Walia, Asstt. Advocate General, Punjab
for the Respondent/State.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant Petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking Regular Bail on behalf of the Petitioner in case FIR No.331, dated 17.12.2019, registered under Sections 307, 382, 341, 323, 148, 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 at Police Station City Faridkot, District Faridkot.

2. The Petitioner by now has remained in detention for more than 10 months after being arrested on 10th January, 2020.

3. After completion of investigation, Challan against him has already been submitted on 21st July, 2020 but the trial has not yet commenced and the Charges are yet to be framed.

4. Co-accused person namely Veer Singh @ Prince (in CRM-M No.14792 of 2020) and Vijay (in CRM-M No.28725 of 2020) have already been granted Regular Bail by Co-ordinate Benches of this Court on 04.08.2020 and 24.09.2020, respectively.

5. In the circumstances, without commenting upon the other merits of the case and keeping in view the fact that the trial is likely to take a considerable time to conclude in view of the on-going Covid-19 Pandemic, at this stage, this Court is of the opinion that further detention of the Petitioner for an indefinite period is not justified. As such, he is ordered to be released on bail subject to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

6. Disposed off.

November 12, 2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No