

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

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**CRM-M No.79 of 2020
Date of decision:14.02.2020**

Varinder @ Bittu

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Mr. Diwan S. Adlakha, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUVIR SEHGAL J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.129, dated 15.05.2019 registered under Sections 307, 506, 148, 149, 120-B of IPC and 25/27 of Arms Act 1959 at Police Station Dera Bassi, District SAS Nagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that petitioner is in custody since 17.05.2019. Challan was presented on 22.7.2019 and the charges were framed on 27.09.2019. Thereafter, trial has been adjourned for seven times, however, statement of complainant, namely, Lakhwinder Singh is yet to be recorded, even though he was summoned as a prosecution witness on all the 7 dates.

Learned State counsel upon instructions of ASI Mewa Singh has submitted that the forensic report dated 13.02.2020 has been received from the Government Medical College and Hospital, Sector 32, Chandigarh, which shows that there are six injuries on the complainant and all the injuries are declared to be simple in nature.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has produced all the zimini orders passed by the Sessions Judge, SAS Nagar, from 26.08.2019 to 06.02.2020. Same are taken on record and have been perused.

Considering the fact conclusion of the trial is likely to take time, therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in further detention. Moreover, the petitioner is already behind the bars for the last more than 7 months. Without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

14.02.2020

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No