

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

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CRM-M-2865-2021

Date of decision : 27.01.2021

GURPREET SINGH @ GOPA

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Ashish Soi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.30 dated 07.05.2020, under Sections 323, 324, 34, 506 IPC (Section 326 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Ladhawal, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR is an outcome of a sudden quarrel between the parties and the petitioner is alleged to have given *kirpan* blows to the complainant and injured. The complainant and injured have fully recovered from the injuries and were discharged the same day. He also contends that the petitioner is 22 years of age and is in custody for over 03 months. He is not involved in any other case. Co-accused, namely, Lakhvir Singh @ Lovely has been granted regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-13714 of 2020, on 02.06.2020.

Learned State counsel has filed custody certificate in Court through e-mail, which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 03 months

and 04 days as on 25.01.2021. He, upon instructions from ASI Dilbag Singh, contends that although challan has been filed but none of the prosecution witnesses has been examined.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 03 months, he is not involved in any other case, the injured were discharged that very day and have fully recovered from the injuries, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

January 27, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No