

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

CRM-M-6349-2021

Date of decision:29.06.2021

Satyawan

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Kartar Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Singh Chaudhary, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Status report, by way of an affidavit dated 22.05.2021 of Assistant Superintendent of Police, Safidon, filed in the Registry, is taken on record.

Through this petition, the petitioner seeks regular bail in case bearing FIR No.694 dated 18.11.2018, registered under Section 306 IPC (Sections 302, 34 and 120-B IPC have been deleted/dropped and Section 306 IPC altered in the charge sheet and charge framed under Section 306 IPC vide order dated 22.04.2019) at Police Station Safidon, District Jind.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is the husband of deceased-Kanta, who had committed suicide after 17 years of the marriage. There are two sons from the said wedlock. As per the medico legal report, Kanta-deceased committed suicide. Even as per the FSL report, no poison was found in the viscera and/or the rope allegedly used for committing the suicide. The petitioner has been in custody since

20.11.2018. It is further stated that out of 16 witnesses, only 04 have been

examined. Moreover, after 16.07.2019, no witness has been examined so far.

On the other hand, on the strength of the reply filed by the State, learned State counsel states that there were temperamental differences between the petitioner and the deceased as the former was having a suspicion on his wife for her having illicit relations with someone. It is, thus, stated that she had committed suicide because of the harassment meted at the hands of the petitioner. Apart from that, during the investigation conducted under the supervision of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Safidon, the petitioner had confessed to his guilt.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

As noticed above, the deceased had committed suicide after 17 years of her marriage. The petitioner has been in custody since 20.11.2018 and no prosecution witness has been examined after 16.07.2019. The trial would take a considerable long time in its conclusion. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

29.06.2021
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(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No