

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh

Criminal Misc. No. M-7833 of 2021

Date of Decision: 06.12.2021

Kala Khan

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anil Kshetarpal.

Present: Mr. S.S.Behl, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab, for the respondent.

Anil Kshetarpal, J.

1. This is the second attempt of the petitioner to seek a regular bail, pending trial in a criminal case arising from FIR No. 18 dated 16.01.2019, registered under Section 302 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, at Police Station Dera Bassi, District S.A.S. Nagar.

2. The first petition for grant of regular bail was dismissed on 19.06.2020 after noticing that the deposition of four prosecution witnesses have already been recorded. The learned counsel representing the petitioner contends that thereafter, there has been no progress in the trial of the case.

3. No doubt, due to outbreak of COVID-19, the Courts were unable to continue with the normal functioning for quite some time. However, now the working of Courts is progressing toward normal.

Furthermore, the petitioner is alleged to have used his official weapon to

murder his co-accused. Hence, no ground to grant a regular bail to the

petitioner is made out. Consequently, the present petition is dismissed. However, the trial Court is directed to make sincere endeavours for the conclusion of the trial within a period of nine months, from today, positively.

(Anil Kshetarpal)
Judge

December 06, 2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No