

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH.

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CRM-M-7664-2021(O&M)
Date of Decision: 01.12.2021

Mandeep Kumar @ Monu

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Mehardeep Singh, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Lalit Batra, J.(Oral)

Present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C is for grant of regular bail to petitioner- **Mandeep Kumar @ Monu** in case F.I.R. No.155 dated 27.07.2020 under Sections 148, 307, 379-B (2), 452 and 506 IPC read with Section 149 IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Mohkampura, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

Learned counsel for petitioner *inter alia* contends that version, as alleged in the FIR, is totally concocted one and there is no iota of truth therein. He further urges that allegedly petitioner fired upon Mehakdeep Singh @ Joban but nobody was injured. He further submits that petitioner is languishing in custody since 23.10.2020 and he is no more required by the Police for any investigation purpose as after completion of investigation, final report as envisaged under Section 173 Cr.P.C. (*Challan*) has already been presented in Court and trial has commenced. He further submits that since trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody further and he may be released on bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel while opposing instant petition has vehemently argued that keeping in view seriousness of offence, petitioner does not deserve the concession of bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case lest it may prejudice the outcome of the trial but taking into consideration the fact that petitioner is languishing in custody since 23.10.2020; that petitioner is no more required by the Investigating Agency for investigation purpose; that *Challan* has already been presented in Court and since trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in custody further, thus, he deserves the concession of bail.

In view of above, instant petition for grant of regular bail moved by petitioner- **Mandeep Kumar @ Monu** is allowed and he is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Amritsar, as the case may be.

(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

01.12.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No