

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-7827-2021 (O & M)

Date of Decision: November 09, 2021

TARSEM SINGH

....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Dilpreet Singh Gandhi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.66 dated 25.02.2020, under Sections 379-B, 342, 459, 506, 34 IPC (Sections 395, 460, 325, 201 and 411 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station City Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner and co-accused had taken away the offerings of the Dera. It is alleged that the petitioner was seen in the CCTV footage but he was unarmed. He, however, contends that co-accused Balwinder Singh from whom a sum of ₹28,85,000/- was recovered, has been granted the concession of regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-32394-2021 on 04.03.2021 and co-accused Satnam Singh from whom a sum of ₹5,65,000/- was recovered, has been granted the concession of regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-11925-2021 on 08.04.2021. The petitioner is in custody for

over 01 year and 07 months. He does not have any criminal antecedents.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 01 year, 07 months and 20 days. He contends that a sum of ₹12,00,000/- has been recovered from the petitioner. He upon instructions from ASI Satnam Singh states that the challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 07 months, co-accused have been granted bail, 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 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

November 09, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No