

Jarnail Singh

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CRM-M-7823-2021

Rajiv Kumar @ Raju

.....Petitioner

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CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr.Rajesh Duhan, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-4626-2021.

Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-6823-2021.

Mr. H.S.Multani, DAG, Punjab.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

By these petitions, the petitioners seek the concession of 'regular bail' under the provisions of Section 439 Cr.P.C., upon FIR No.181, dated 23.10.2020, having been registered at Police Station Urban Estate, Patiala, alleging therein the commission of offences punishable under the provisions of Sections 3(1), 5(1)(a), 6(a), 18, 23, 24 and 29 of the Pre-conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994 and Sections 420/308/120-B of the IPC (with Sections 308 of the IPC and 27/28 of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act later deleted, and Section 23 of the PC&PNDT Act, 1994 added later).

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the co-accused of the petitioners, Meena Rani, already having been admitted to bail by this

court on 13.08.2021, on the ground that with the maximum punishment in respect of the offences punishable under the Pre-conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994, being 3 years imprisonment, and she already having been in the custody for 9 months at that stage, the present petitioners may also be admitted to bail considering the fact that they have been in custody for the past more than 11 months now.

As per the custody certificate filed in the court today by the learned State counsel (which is ordered to be taken on record), the factum of the aforesaid period of custody is not denied.

That being so, without making any comment on the actual merits of the case, these petitions are allowed and the petitioners are ordered to be admitted to bail, upon them furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of the connected case).

September 29, 2021

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**(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : YES
Whether Reportable : NO