

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-5938-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: March 16, 2021

NAVEEN KUMAR

....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Aditya Sanghi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun Beniwal, DAG, Haryana.

Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.303 dated 29.07.2019, under Sections 302 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Fatehabad, District Fatehabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the deceased is the wife of the petitioner. Her death had taken place due to drowning on 02.07.2019 and inquest proceedings were initiated. The statement of the complainant was recorded that it is a natural death and he does not suspect anyone. However, after 23 days of the occurrence, the complainant lodged the FIR. The petitioner is in custody for over 1 year and 06 months. Two minor children of the petitioner are being brought up by his parents.

Learned counsel for the complainant, however, contends that the allegations against the petitioner are serious and he is not entitled to the concession of regular bail.

Learned State counsel upon instructions states that although the charges have been framed but no prosecution witness has been examined.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when there is a delay of 23 days in registering the FIR, the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 06 months, 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

March 16, 2021
A.Kaundal

Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No