

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-8320-2021
Date of Decision: 15.09.2021**

Mangat Singh @ Girdhari ...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab ...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANT PARKASH

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

Mr. H.S. Sullar, DAG, Punjab.

SANT PARKASH, J.

[The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual court.]

Petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in FIR No.0039 dated 05.02.2020 registered under Sections 397, 148, 149 IPC (Section 394 IPC added later on) and Section 25 of the Arms Act at Police Station Sadar Amritsar, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

As per allegations in the FIR, the petitioner and co-accused came on their vehicles at Gurdwara Sahib and sought the key of the vehicle from the father of the complainant and when he refused to give the same, they fired shots upon him, which hit on his thigh and calf muscle. One *desi katta* (country made pistol) is alleged to have been recovered from the possession of present petitioner.

This Court has heard the learned counsel for the parties.

From the perusal of reply, it would be revealed that apart from the present FIR, four other FIRs were registered against the petitioner. In another FIR No.376 dated 06.12.2004 registered under Sections 302, 307, 148, 149 IPC at Police Station, Civil Lines, Amritsar City, the petitioner

has been convicted for life imprisonment. It would be further revealed that in the present case a country made pistol was recovered from his possession.

Noticing that this Court is not inclined to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner, learned counsel for the petitioner prays for withdrawal of the present petition with a direction to the learned trial court to expedite the trial keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case.

In view of the above, the present petition is dismissed as withdrawn. However, the learned trial court is directed to make sincere endeavour for expeditious trial and conclude the same preferably within a period of six months.

15.09.2021
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(SANT PARKASH)
JUDGE

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