

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

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**CRM-M-9141-2021(O&M)
Decided on : 18.03.2021**

LAKHWINDER SINGH @ LAKHI

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL
(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. Arpandeeep Narula, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurdarshan Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for the complainant.

Ms. Tanushree Gupta, DAG Punjab
assisted by SI Bhoop Singh.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.86, dated 14.04.2020 under Sections 302, 120-B and 34 of IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959 registered at Police Station Kalanwali, District Sirsa.

2. On the last date of hearing, learned State counsel had sought time to get instructions qua the registration of another FIR against the petitioner under Section 307 IPC, as it had been submitted by the learned counsel for the complainant that the crime in question had been committed by the petitioner while he was on bail in another FIR.

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Bhoop Singh submits that the petitioner was not on bail in the previous FIR, which stood registered against him and he was arrested after 06 months of the present occurrence. The learned State counsel has also not been able to controvert

the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has not been attributed any injury, much less, fatal injury on the person of the deceased. She has also admitted that the petitioner was not travelling with the co-accused in their car, when they fired at the deceased. However, she submits that the petitioner was riding a motorcycle at the time of the alleged occurrence.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 29.06.2020 and only challan has been presented till date, hence there is no likelihood of the trial concluding anytime in the near future, so the petitioner may be extended the concession of bail.

5. Heard.

6. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties, I deem it a fit case for grant of the concession of regular bail to the petitioner, as the trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future, more so, in the prevailing conditions due to the outbreak of COVID-19. The petition as such is allowed and the petitioner is admitted to bail to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

March 18, 2021

S.Sharma(syr)

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