

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-6657-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 04.08.2021

SATISH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Parveen Kaushik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vijesh Sharma, Addl.AG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.699 dated 10.12.2016, under Sections 302, 34 IPC (Sections 201 and 202 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Meham, District Rohtak, Haryana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner and the deceased had an altercation after consuming alcohol. The petitioner is the brother-in-law of the deceased. He also contends that there is no motive and it was found at the general hospital that there were no marks of injury on the person of the deceased but as per the FSL and the report of the Pathologist, the doctors had opined that the cause of death was due to injuries given and the possibility of death due to pushing against hard surface and suffocation could not be ruled out. The petitioner is in custody for over 3 years and 9 months. He is not involved in any other criminal case.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from SI Akhtar Hussain, contends that the petitioner is in custody for 3 years and 9 months since his arrest on 08.10.2017. He also contends that 19 out of 20 prosecution witnesses have been examined and the complainant is yet to be examined.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 3 years and 9 months, he is not involved in any other criminal case, the 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 instant 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

04.08.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No