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

CRM-M-9843-2021

Date of decision: 10.03.2021.

SATVIR SINGH

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Mr. Shiv Charan Bhola, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Manreet Singh Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.77 dated 17.07.2019 registered under Sections 323, 341, 506, 148, 149 of IPC (Sections 307, 326 and 201 of IPC added lateron) at Police Station City Morinda, District Roop Nagar.

The allegation against the petitioner is that he was a member of unlawful assembly and brutally assailed the complainant. A *kirpan* blow on the head is attributed to the petitioner along with injuries at other body parts.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 10.12.2020. He was not named in the FIR though identified by the complainant at a later stage. He has relies upon order dated 17.09.2020

passed by this Court in ***CRM-M-24633-2020*** titled as ***Gurpreet Singh Versus State of Punjab***, where the co-accused was admitted on bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 10.12.2020, challan has been presented and trial in the case will long time and moreover, Covid-19 pandemic is another factor in which trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future, this Court deems it appropriate to admit the petitioner on bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

The observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the trial court shall decide the case on the basis of available material.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable:

Yes/No.
Yes/No.