

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-24758-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 13.07.2021

RAM BABU

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Harsh Bunker, 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.241 dated 17.07.2016, under Sections 399, 402 IPC, and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Dadri City, District Bhiwani.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that that the petitioner along with the other co-accused was planning to commit robbery. However, no overt act is attributed to the petitioner. The petitioner had earlier been granted regular bail in CRM-M-3395-2017 on 01.03.2017 by the coordinate Bench of this court. Thereafter, he was appearing before the trial court but he could not appear before the trial court on 06.07.2017 as he had been wrongly informed about the date and his bail bonds were cancelled. He has been declared as proclaimed offender. The petitioner is in custody for a total period of about 2 years which includes 1 year and 5 months after his rearrest. He also contends that the petitioner is a small pan shop owner, who has been implicated in several other cases which is also recorded in the order of the coordinate Bench dated 01.03.2017.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Rajinder, contends that charges have been framed but none of the 13 prosecution witnesses has been examined. He also contends that the petitioner is also involved in several other cases.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when no overt act is attributed to the petitioner, he is in custody for about 2 years, 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.

The petitioner shall appear before the SHO, Police Station Dadri City, Bhiwani every alternate Monday till the conclusion of the trial. He shall also furnish his mobile number to the SHO and keep his mobile phone location on.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

13.07.2021

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