

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

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CRM-M-19184-2021

Date of decision : 24.05.2021.

DAVINDER SINGH @ HAPPY

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. H.S. Dhindsa, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Pratap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.204 dated 04.10.2020 under Sections 120-B, 121, 153 IPC and Sections 25/54/59 of the Arms Act and Sections 17, 18, 18B and 20 of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act, 1967, registered at Police Station Mahilpur, District Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been implicated in this case as he is the driver of the taxi which was owned by accused-Harjinder Singh and hired by the main accused-Makhan Singh. A sum of ₹11,000/- was allegedly paid in the sim account of the petitioner by the main accused. The sim card was allegedly misused by Makhan Singh. There is no allegation that the petitioner himself had indulged in any unlawful activity. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for about eight months and is not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Mahender Pal, contends that although challan has been filed but no prosecution witness has been examined.

Heard through video-conferencing.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for about eight months, he is not involved in any other 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

May 24, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No