

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

DECIDED ON: 16th JULY, 2021

1. CRM-M-18286 of 2021 (O&M)

Sukhchain Singh @ Soni

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

2. CRM-M-19598 of 2021 (O&M)

Harpreet Singh @ Naranjan Singh

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. A.S. Sandhu, Advocate for petitioners.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

CRM-17574-2021 in CRM-M-18286 of 2021 (O&M)

Application is allowed as prayed for.

Copy of order dated 31.3.2021 is taken on record subject to all just exceptions.

Main Cases

These two petitions are filed for grant of regular bail in case of FIR No. 65 dated 11.8.2020 under Section 306 IPC, registered at Police Station Badhni Kalan, District Moga.

The FIR was registered on the complaint of Resham Singh. The allegations are that his son Hardeep Singh @ Minta (deceased) was married to Karamjit Kaur. They were having matrimonial dispute. On 10.8.2020, when the couple had gone to meet their relatives, Hardeep Singh got annoyed with his wife and went out. He uploaded a video stating that he is committing suicide due to harassment caused by his wife, his mother-in-law, elder brother-in-law (sala), sister-in-law(sali) sister-in-law's husband (Saddu). Later on the complainant came to know that Hardeep Singh committed suicide by hanging himself with the tree.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are having their own family and living separately. They were having no concerns with the family of deceased. It is further submitted that the petitioners are in custody since September 2020; investigation is complete and no recovery is to be made. He relied upon order dated 31.3.2021 (in CRM-M-14414 of 2021) whereby the mother-in-law of the deceased was granted interim bail.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Nahar Singh submits that the investigation is complete; challan stands presented and charges have been framed.

Considering the custody period and the fact that no recovery is to be made; investigation is complete and conclusion of trial is likely to take time, the petitioners are granted bail on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petitions are allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

Photocopy of this order be placed on the file of connected case.

16th JULY, 2021

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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*