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

CRM-M-16907-2020

Date of Decision: 26.03.2021

Sanjay

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Pradeep Virk, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vishal Malik, D.A.G., Haryana.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)

This is a petition filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure by the petitioner, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.448, dated 19.07.2018, under Sections 302 and 34 of the IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar, Dadri.

2. Ld. State Counsel, on instructions from SI Balbir Singh, submits that in the trial held so far, all the thirteen private/non-prosecution witnesses have already been examined and they have all supported the prosecution case. Now, only the remaining official witnesses are to be examined, for which the date fixed in the Ld. Trial Court is 08.06.2021.

3. From his side Ld. Counsel for the petitioner has sought release of the petitioner by submitting that he has remained in detention for more than two and a half years, since 17.08.2018.

4. Be that as it may, considering the gravity of the offence

punishable under Section 302 of the IPC and the fact that private witnesses have apparently supported the prosecution case, this Court does not consider it to be a fit case for releasing the petitioner at this stage.

5. In view of the above, the bail prayer of the petitioner is dismissed with a direction to the Ld. Trial Court to make an endeavour to complete the trial on a day to day basis as far as practicable, after the next date of hearing already fixed, since only the official witnesses now remain to be examined.

26.03.2021*Apurva***(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
2. Whether reportable : Yes/No