

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

CRM-M-22472 of 2021

DECIDED ON: 5th JULY, 2021

Gurdeep Singh @ Sonu

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. Ramanjeet Singh, Advocate for petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

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

This is a petition for regular bail in case of FIR No. 313 dated 23.05.2018, under Section 379-B IPC, registered at Police Station Focal Point, Ludhiana.

The FIR was registered on the statement of Jatinder Solanki. It was stated that on 21.5.2018 at about 9:30 p.m. he was walking near USPC Jain Public School, Chandigarh Road, Jamalpur, Ludhiana. He was talking on his mobile phone, a person on motor cycle came from behind snatched the phone and fled away. The petitioner was nominated as accused.

On 13.12.2018 the petitioner was granted bail. However, he absented himself from the Court proceedings, resultantly, was declared proclaimed offender on 3.3.2021. He was re-arrested on 9.3.2021.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it was due to

petitioner and his counsel which resulted in absence. To show his *bonafide* he offers to deposit Rs.50,000/- with the trial Court. Submission is that as and when required, the petitioner will appear before the trial Court.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the offer made by the petitioner, the petition is allowed. The impugned order is set aside. The petitioner shall deposit Rs.50,000/- with the trial Court. The amount shall be kept in form of an FDR in a nationalized bank. The amount shall be subject to outcome of the trial. He would be allowed to appear through counsel until and unless his presence is specifically required.

However, in case the petitioner fails to appear as and when required, the amount deposited would be forfeited.

Disposed of.

5th JULY, 2021

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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>No</i>