

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

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**CRM-M No. 24849 of 2021
Date of decision :03.09.2021**

Arnav Kashyap @ Rishi

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union Territory Chandigarh

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Shrey Goel, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. A.M. Punchhi, Public Prosecutor with
Mr. Anupam Bansal, Advocate for the respondent-UT Chd.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J.

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in case FIR
No. 0182 dated 30.10.2020 registered under Sections 306, 120-B and 201
IPC at Police Station Central Sector 17, Chandigarh.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that no role has been
attributed to the petitioner in the suicide note by Des Raj-deceased who is
the grandfather of the petitioner. The co-accused Seema who is the mother
of the petitioner has already been in custody. The petitioner has been in
custody since 30.10.2020.

Per contra, while opposing the prayer for grant of regular bail
to the petitioner, learned State counsel states that there are serious
allegations against the petitioner and has been specifically named in the
FIR. Out of 23 prosecution witnesses, 7 witnesses have already been
examined.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 30.10.2020. Moreover, the petitioner has not specifically named in the suicide note. No useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars. Further, keeping in view the prevailing situation of Covid-19 pandemic, the trial is unlikely to conclude any time soon.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

03.09.2021

Rajeev (rvs)

**(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No