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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-25184-2021(O&M)
Date of decision : 09.07.2021

Sandeep Singh

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present: Mr. Gauravjit Singh Jagpal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.H.S.Sullar, DAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Petitioner seeks regular bail pending trial in FIR No. 09 dated 05.01.2013, under Sections 379, 411 IPC and Section 21 of Mines and Minerals Development and Regulation Act, 1957, registered at Police Station Laddowal, District Ludhiana.

Counsel for the parties have been heard.

It has gone uncontroverted that petitioner had earlier been granted benefit of bail, but having evaded trial proceedings was declared a proclaimed offender on 06.12.2016. He thereafter was arrested on 08.03.2021.

Vide judgment dated 12.06.2017 passed by the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Ludhiana (Annexure P-3), co-accused already stand discharged.

Gurjit Singh, co-accused and who was identically placed and had also been declared a proclaimed offender, has been granted benefit of bail by this Court in the light of order dated 31.05.2021 in CRM-M-17695 of 2021.

In the considered view of this Court even though petitioner had earlier been declared a proclaimed offender but he has now faced incarceration since 08.03.2021. No useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody any further.

Without commenting on the merits of the case petitioner is held entitled to benefit of bail.

Petitioner be enlarged on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Ludhiana.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No