

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

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CRM-M-27982-2021

Date of Decision : August 06, 2021

MANPREET SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present : Mr. A.S.Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab.

Through Video Conferencing

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI. J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.40 dated 2.7.2020 under Sections 307, 323, 34 IPC, Police Station Bajakhana, District Faridkot.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that even as per the FIR, the complainant had stated in first part of FIR that he had seen the accused, namely, Balkaran Singh, Manpreet Singh (petitioner) and Satnam Singh @ Satta armed with daang and hitting his nephew namely Ram Singh son of Tarsem Singh, Kalu Singh son of Malkeet Singh and thereafter Kalu Singh was asking Balkaran Singh, Manpreet Singh and Satnam Singh @ Satta not to beat Ram Singh and when he reached there then Balkaran Singh gave *kapa* blows in the head of Ram Singh in order to kill him. He also gave two *kapa* blows in the chest of Ram Singh who fell down on the ground.

He further submitted that main allegations in later part of FIR are attributable to Balkaran Singh and so far as the petitioner is concerned, only dang blow on knee is attributable which is on non-vital part.

It has been submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that similarly situated co-accused, namely, Satnam Singh @ Satta has since been granted regular bail by this Court on 01.07.2021 vide CRM-M-23604 of 2021 and the petitioner is in parity with the said co-accused custody. He has further submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 19.07.2020 and the investigation of the case is already complete and the charges have been framed. However, no prosecution witness has been examined. He further submitted that he is not involved in any other case.

On the other hand, Mr. Thind, learned State Counsel has submitted that it is correct that the petitioner is in custody since 19.07.2020 and it is also correct that investigation in the case is already complete and charges have already been framed. He has also not denied the parity of the petitioner with the other co-accused, namely, Satnam Singh @ Satta. Furthermore, it is also not disputed by the learned State counsel that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Therefore, considering the totality of the circumstances of the present case, I deem it fit and proper to grant the regular bail to the petitioner.

Consequent, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on furnishing of bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of concerned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No