

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

**CRM-M-28109 of 2021**

**DECIDED ON: 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2021**

**Budh Parkash Singh**

**.....PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**State of Punjab**

**.....RESPONDENT**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.**

Present: Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate for petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

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**AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)**

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

This petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is filed seeking regular bail in case of FIR No.26 dated 4.3.2021, under Section 379-B IPC, registered at Police Station Guruharsahai, District Ferozepur.

FIR was at the instance of Sohan Lal. As per the allegations on 4.3.2021, Rs.80,000/- and a mobile were snatched from the complainant by the three unknown persons riding on two motor cycles. After eleven days, supplementary statement was got recorded by the complainant naming the petitioner- Budh Parkash Singh, an ex-employee. On the basis of supplementary statement, the petitioner was nominated and arrested. Recovery of toy gun was made from him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was not named earlier and only on supplementary statement recorded after eleven days petitioner was nominated. No recovery is to be made from him. He has no criminal antecedents.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Atma Singh opposes the prayer for grant of bail and submits that two more accused are yet to be arrested and there is a recovery of toy gun.

The petitioner is in custody since 15.3.2021; investigation is complete; challan stands presented; he was named in supplementary statement after eleven days and considering that conclusion of trial is likely to take time, bail is granted to the petitioner on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

27<sup>th</sup> August, 2021  
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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)  
JUDGE

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes</i> |