

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-30486-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 25.11.2021

SHARAFAT ALI @ SHETHI @ PARDEEP ... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Vineet Chaudhary, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 134 dated 03.05.2019, under Sections 365, 364-A/387, 201 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Ladwa, District Kurukshetra.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the co-accused Shristi Pooja was in a relationship with the victim and she had abducted him with the help of co-accused. The victim was released the very same day. The co-accused namely Manjeet Kaur has been granted regular bail by the coordinate Bench of this court in CRM-M-22537-2020 on 15.09.2020 while co-accused Shristi Pooja and Shailender Singh have been granted regular bail by this court in CRM-M-40558-2020 and CRM-M-41847-2020 on 22.11.2021 respectively. He also contends that he has received instructions that recovery of only Rs.5,000/- has been effected from the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody for over 2 years. He also contends that the petitioner is also involved in other cases but he has been acquitted in some of them and he is on bail in other cases.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from SI Mool Chand contends that 9 out of 26 prosecution witnesses have been examined. She further contends that the petitioner is also involved in other cases.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 2 years, co-accused have been granted bail, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

At the time of his release, the SHO, Police Station Ladwa shall be informed. The petitioner shall also appear before the SHO every alternate Monday till the conclusion of the trial. He shall also furnish his mobile number to the SHO and keep his mobile phone location on.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

25.11.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No