

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-27318-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: April 27, 2021**

PARDEEP

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. S.K. Tripathi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.79 dated 10.03.2019, under Sections 379, 411, 420, 467, 468, 471, 473, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Sector-5, Panchkula, District Panchkula.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner, who is 21 years old, is not named in the FIR wherein it is alleged that motorcycle of the complainant had been stolen. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 01 year and 10 months since his arrest on 22.07.2019 and after his arrest in the instant case, the petitioner was also involved in other cases of theft.

Learned State counsel while referring to the affidavit of ACP, Panchkula states that none of the 14 prosecution witnesses have been examined. However, she upon instructions from ASI Yashpal Singh states that

02 out of 14 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner, who is 21 years old, is in custody for over 01 year and 10 months and the trial is likely to take time to conclude in view of Covid-19 pandemic as only 02 prosecution witnesses have been examined, 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 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.

The petitioner shall appear before the SHO, Police Station Sector-5, Panchkula on every alternate Monday till the conclusion of the trial. He shall also give his mobile number to the SHO and shall keep the location of the mobile phone on till the conclusion of the trial.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

April 27, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No